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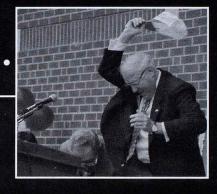


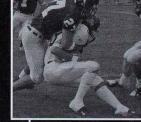
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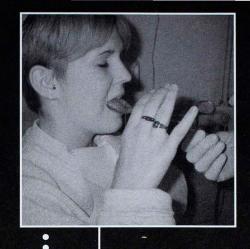


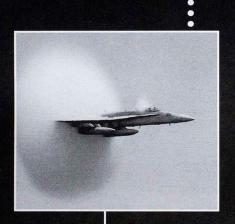
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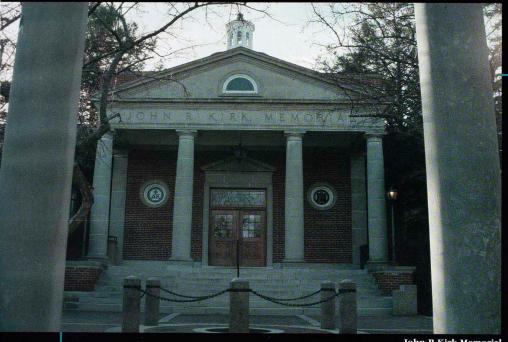
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Life is an ongoing series of perceptions and reality. Many times we believe that we know the final answer, only to learn that what we accepted as absolute fact just a moment before was just another perception clouding the truth. All of us have found ourselves questioning ideas and beliefs that we once held as definite

truths. When we reached a certain age, we began to wonder about the phenomenon of Santa Clause. How could there really be a man that knew what each child wanted and where each child lived? How did he cover the entire world in one night by riding in a sleigh pulled by reindeer? Once we learned that Santa Clause was merely a legend, we wondered how we ever could have thought he was real. We came to learn that the Easter Bunny and the tooth fairy were only legend as well. Yet



Senior Ramon Christopher takes a step back from opponents before making his move toward the goal. The football team finished the 1999 season with a record of 4-7. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)



President Jack Magruder speaks before a group of people during the renaming ceremony of Magruder Hall on Oct. 30. Before becoming president, Magruder was the Science Division Head for the University. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

that did not stop us from blindly accepting perceptions as reality in the future. We believed there were ghosts under our beds and that our imaginary friends spoke to us. When we started school, we were sure that the fifth graders were very old and wise. We thought that they were huge and that they knew everything. When we became fifth graders, we did not feel that we were big, old or wise, but we figured that the eighth graders possessed those qualities. We thought that the way our families and schools functioned was obviously the correct way. No matter what time our families ate dinner, which

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parent drove or which TV shows we watched, we thought that our families were normal and and that other families that did things differently were weird. Only later would we realize that there was no such thing as a normal family and that maybe ours were the ones that did things differently. We were sure that we would grow up to be princesses, astronauts and professional football players. Later very few of us would still be considering those professions. We thought that being popular and having the right lunch box were of utmost importance. One day we realized that those things just did not matter. We thought that the kids who liked to play the same games as us at recess were our best



the Urge came to Truman State University on Sept. 17 and performed for over 2,000 students in Pershing Arena. The event was sponsored by the Student Activity Board. (photo by Tyson Meyer)

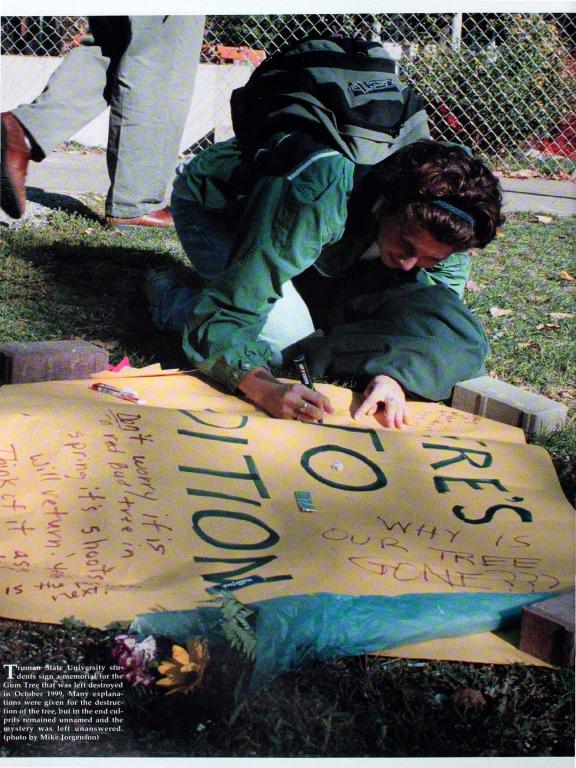


he Red Barn Art Fair was held at the Kirksville downtown square during Family Day 1999. Several parents and students took time to enjoy the festivities. (photo by Kim Pederson)

friends and always would be.

Later we found out that we were right about some of those kids, but others we would drift away from and eventually forget about. We did not know what to expect from our high school years, but we were scared that we were expected to grow up for good. We found that the homework was a little harder and our time was stretched over new activities, friends and jobs, but we still got to play just as hard as ever. In high school, we thought that we finally knew everything. We

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turned 16 and were able to drive, we got jobs after school and were earning a little income and we had high school sweethearts. We felt like nothing could stop us, and we thought we had finally reached the point where we did not need our parents anymore. Then we got speeding tickets, lost our jobs and broke up with our significant others. Suddenly we did not feel so invincible. We thought that senior year would be the best year of our lives. Although it was excellent in many ways, it was also sad and frightening to say goodbye to everything that was familiar to us. We thought we could not wait to be on our own, but we soon realized that we missed home. We thought that college was where we would have to grow up for sure. We found



The annual Holiday Lights is held during December 1999. The event was sponsored by the Student Activities Board and was attended by several students every year. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)

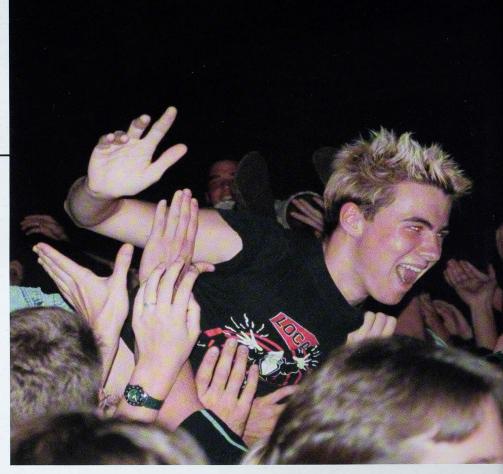


Freshman Anna Smith at tempts to hit the ball to her teammate. The women's soccer team won the MIAA conference but were not given a bid into the NCAA Division II playoffs. (photo by Tyson Meyer)

that college was the perfect balance of hard work and play. As we got more involved, our responsibilities grew but so did the number of unforgettable experiences we had. Here we made our lifelong friends, we worked toward rewarding careers and we were exposed to a wealth of new ideas. We remembered when we asked Santa Clause for moon shoes so we could practice being astronauts and we realized how far we had come. We looked forward to another year of perception giving way to reality.

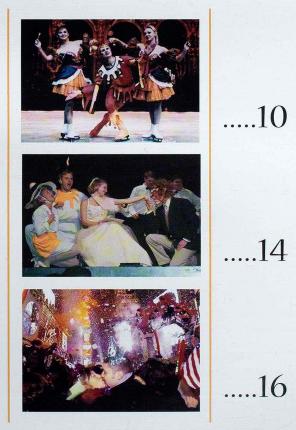
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Ctudents en ojoy the Urge as they played in Pershing Arena on Sept. 17. The Student **Activities Board** sold nearly 2,000 tickets in advance for the event and tickets were purchased at the door. (photo by MikeJorgenson)



STUDENT LIFE

When we first came to the University, many of us perceived Kirksville as having little potential for fostering a social life. We found that the University and surrounding community provided us with plenty of options to fill up our time. We gathered at Thousand Hills State Park for wiffle ball, we napped on the Quad and we went bowling at Leisure World to unwind. We banded together to oppose the arming of the Department of Public Safety officers to express our opinions. We ran with friends or joined a yoga class at the Student Recreation Center to keep our bodies as fit as our minds. We attended Lyceum Series events, we listened to bands perform at Washington Street Java Co. and we went to Student Activity Board events to foster our creativity. We realized that in reality there were numerous opportunities awaiting us.





Eleanor Roosevelt (1960)

"A Christmas Carol" (1985) The Nebraska Theatre Caravan



Lyceup

A century of cultural
leanor Roosevelt,
Helen Keller, William
Jennings Bryan and Vincent Celebration
Price. These people not only

share world fame, they also have all spoken to Truman State University students and Kirksville residents as part of the Kohlenberg Lyceum Series.

"[The purpose of the Lyceum Series is] to bring cultural events to the Kirksville community and especially the Truman State University community," Heidi Templeton, director of public relations, said. "[The performances] enhance the environment while the students are here and give them opportunities to go see things like the St. Louis Symphony that often times they may neversee."

The Lyceum started in 1899 when the University president John Kirk orgnized a campus division of the YMCA. One of the primary functions of this organization was to bring speakers and theatrical performances to Kirksville.

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"Swan Lake" (1999) St. Petersburg Ice Ballet

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VincentPrice(1985)



Captain James Lovell (1999)

Acentury of cultural

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The financing for these activities dwindled in the 1920s, and the Community Lecture Series replaced the YMCA. Various local sources funded the series.

Kirksville organized a Civic Music Association in 1937. President Walter Ryle believed students needed such cultural opportunities, so he purchased blanket memberships for students and faculty.

The Civic Music Association was relatively popular but did not sell tickets to individual performances. The Association required people to become members which was expensive. The organization experienced frequent financial problems because of this regulation and by the late 1950s was on the verge of going out of business.

Ryle agreed to take the struggling program over in 1960, and appointed Gilbert Kohlenberg as chairman of the committee. The Lyceum, as known to University students today, was born.

Kohlenberg moved the performances to Baldwin Auditorium and made the tickets free to the student body. He allowed the general public to purchase a percentage of the tickets to help cover costs.

"He just wanted [Lyceum events] to be something that the students would enjoy coming to and something that would give them a taste of culture they wouldn't normally get just by going to a classroom," Mary Jane Kohlenberg, a former math professor and widow of the late Kohlenberg, said. "He thought that was very important here, since many of these students come from small schools and small towns."

Kohlenberg was chairman of the Lyceum committee from 1960 until he asked to be relieved of the position in 1992. He remained on the committee until his death in 1996. To many, he defined the Lyceum program.

The Lyceum series hoped to carry the program, as Kohlenberg envisioned it, into the new century.

To ensure that future Lyceum events would be well financed, the committee turned to corporate sponsorship.

There have been over \$100,000 donated toward endowing the Lyceum series. A small percentage of the money from the endowment would go to enhancing next year's budget as the Lyceum committee decided on the 2000-2001 Lyceum Series, Templeton said.

"I think it's a wonderful thing Truman is doing, continuing [the Lyceum]," Kohlenberg said. "It's a shame more students don't take advantage of it."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

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Two members of the Gash/Voigt Dance Theatre use the language of the body to represent images of femininity. The all-female dance company performed in Baldwin Auditorium on Jan. 20, 2000. They created a new type of dance with expressive choreography inorder to relate significant feminine issues to the audience.

The State Ballet of Missouri perfoms with the assistance of an entire or chestra for the first time in the history of Truman State University. During their production on March 13, 1997, the State Ballet performed a Scottish piece entitled "Scotch Symphony" and a selection from the American Southwest called "Rodeo". (photos submitted)

| Through the Years | |
|-------------------|--|
| 2000 | Gash/Voight Dance Theatre Maxwell Street Klezmer Band "Hello Dolly" |
| 1999 | St. Louis Symphony Les Ballets Africains "It's A Wonderful Life" Captain James Lovell |
| 1998 | Russian Ice Ballet |
| 1997 | "Carmen" |
| 1996 | "The Nutcracker" Pennsylvania Ballet Theatre Governor Douglas Wilder |
| 1995 | Chanticleer |
| 1994 | Actor Edward James Olmos |
| 1993 | "Madame Butterfly" Lyric Opera of Kansas City, Mo. |
| 1988 | Senator George McGovern Writer Maya Angelou |
| 1987 | Actor Dick Cavett |
| 1986 | Vice president candidate Geraldine Ferraro |
| 1985 | Actor Vincent Price |
| 1982 | Looney Toons creator Mel Blanc |
| 1978 | Actor Leonard Nimoy |
| 1966 | SingerJonnyMathis |
| 1960 | First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt |
| 1959 | Glenn Miller Band |
| 1943 | Senator Harry S Truman |
| 1937 | WriterCarlSandburg |
| 1924 | Presidential candidate William Jennings Bryan |
| 1917 | President William Howard Taft |
| 1915 | Helen Keller |

ruman State University's campus became a carnival of activity with so many side show attractions no one knew which one to stop and see first. The events whereheld in such rapid fire succession that most students were left with a mental blur.

Students who competed in these events were affiliated with organizations.

The members of Phi Lambda Chi had a long-standing tradition of doing extremely well in the Homecoming Parade float competition and preferred this over many other activities.

"We cherish the team effort a lot, but the float is our concentration," senior Jason Studley, Phi Lamb float chairman, said. "We draw up the entire plans over the summer and we start putting them together as soon as school starts."

Members of Sigma Kappa and Sigma Sigma Sigma preferred the social, highprofile nature of lip sync and the skit competition over the other events.

"We like lip sync and skit because they're social, group events," senior Stephanie Kidd, Tri Sigma Homecoming chair, said. "It's not two people going to a spades tournament; they're competitions where you get to interact with a lot of different people."

Regardless of their preference or affiliation, most Homecoming participants said the competitions were an excuse to get together with other students and have fun.

"I don't think winning was as important as just having fun," junior Annie Stanton, Sigma Kappa Homecoming co-chair, said. "The best part was just hanging out with my sisters and getting to compete with other [organizations]. We worked pretty hard, but we had a good time."

HOMECOMIN

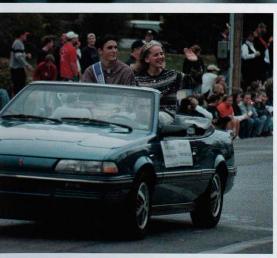
Not Just Fun and Games

By Andrew Ashbaugh

ring and Queen, juniors John Kayres and Christy Truesdell, ride together in the parade Saturday morning. As the competition for king and queen ensued, organizations hung posters around campus to show support for their candidate. (photo by Tina Patel)







"There's always
bragging rights. For
a while you earn
the right to be
proud."
-senior Julia Bender

izumi fitamo kisses her husband Francisco shortlyafter midnightas they celebrate thearrival ofthenew millenium in New York City's Times Square. Overtwo million people crammed into Times Squareto watchthe 500-pound balldrop while 300 million people worldwide tuned in at home.



New Year

Vews

- * Americans spent an estimated \$100 billion on preparations for the Y2K scare
- * 6,000 pounds of **confetti** was dropped at midnight on the celebration in Times Square
- * Internet millionaire Josh Harris spent \$700,000 on a month-long party
- * Parents gave birth to **twins** with one born on either side of **midnight** in five cities worldwide







he world waited in anticipation for the year 2000 with a mix of emotions. As people prepared for Y2K, predictions circulated that at the stroke of midnight the world would become chaos. Midnight came and nothing happened.

"Everyone was a little paranoid," junior Beth Schroeder said. "I was hoping for something big to actually happen, so I was sort of let down when nothing did."

Others were not let down by the lack of excitement at the mark of the $21^{\rm st}$ century.

"I was perfectly frightened of terrorism," junior Cory McIlroy said. "I thought that Bid Lodin would actually attack American soil."

Due to these speculations people took precautionary measures to avoid any problems that might have occured.

"I took a little cash out of the bank," McIlroy said. "I didn't want to be too crazy."

Other people took even fewer precautions.

"My parents bought some bottled water," senior Sara Young said. "However, when the millennium struck, my parents were on a cruise."

News stations from around the globe ran extensive coverage on the millennium, keeping the world updated on major world cities and their midnight celebrations. Other personal celebrations occurred that were not on such a grand scale as the major cities. Yet this kept people entertained throughout the night.

"I went to a *Phish* concert in Florida," McIlroy said. "It went from midnight to dawn. The world could have been gone but I knew that I wouldn't know till the next afternoon."

Several people brought in the New Year in a quiet fashion.

"There were no celebrations or fireworks for me," Schroeder said. "I spent New Year's in Wisconsin with a bunch of lumber-jacks."

After the celebrations were over, people began to evaluate what had happened, or better yet, what did not happen. Some people even felt there was some good that came out of the Y2K situation.

"I feel that the Y2K computer buzz probably caused some technological advances we needed, so it wasn't all a waste," McIlroy said. "Some people made money off of it that shouldn't [have], but that's [human]."

By Jeremy Early -

Pireworks illuminate the Eiffel Tower for millennium celebrations in Paris. Seventy-two percent Americans stayed home to witness on television how the rest of the world rang in the new year. Major networks broadcasted the fireworks and celebrations from New Zealand, Egypt, Greece, China, India and Vatican City. (photos courtesy of Associated Press)

Six high school graduates from the St. Louis area had an urge to create music, so they started a band. The Student Activities Board presented The Urge on Sept. 17 in Pershing Arena.

The Urge promoted its opening bands, Clever and Fragile Porcelain Mice, after seeing them perform at a concert in Mississippi. Steve Ewing, The Urge's lead singer, said that Clever and Fragile Porcelain Mice put on really good live shows and having them as the opening acts got the audience pumped for the concert.

The Urge experienced some changes since its first visit to the University in 1995. The band was under new management in Los Angeles, and Ewing moved there to help reorganize everything. The rest of the band remained in St. Louis.

The Urge performed four new songs during the concert. Ewing said the reason the band did not play many of the older songs was because the new songs were more exciting to play. He said the band members also wanted to play songs they wrote.

"I wasn't familiar with any of The Urge's songs, but I enjoyed the concert anyway," senior Janeen Traen said.

SAB sold 1,786 tickets in advance, and students bought more tickets at the door. Amanda Eggers, concert publicity coordinator, said there was a wonderful turnout at the concert.

Many students enjoyed The Urge's performance, namely because of the extreme energy every band member exhibited.

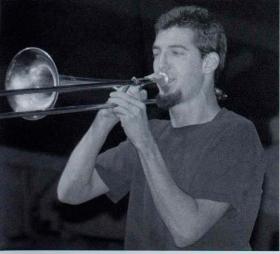
"It was a very energetic concert. The performers jumped around and jumped up on the barricade. One guitarist even licked his guitar," Traen said.

THE URGE Tears the House Down

By Ashley Amer

Matt Kwiatkowski adds a special flavor to The Urge's music with his trombone. The band combined instruments such as trombones and saxaphones with drums and electric guitars to create its unique sound. (photo by Lauren DeSantis)





"It was a very energetic concert ...one guitarist even licked his guitar."

- senior Janeen Traen

A Parent's View

/ Day \

he day began at 5 a.m. or earlier for many families coming to Truman State University's Family Day.

Hotels booked rooms months in advance, and many families who did not get a room drove for hours to take part in the festivities on Oct. 16.

"Unfortunately we are one of the families who didn't get a hotel room, but I just got a note so I'll be ready for next year," Sandy O'Rourke, freshman Matt O'Rourke's mother, said.

Students and their families said they enjoyed the Red Barn Craft Festival, a tailgate lunch, trips to Wal-Mart and tours of Pickler Memorial Library.

A speech by the University's president, Jack Magruder, was part of the moming activities on campus as families joined together in Baldwin Auditorium.

"I thought it was boring but my parents wanted to go to see what other parents were doing," sophomore Amy Taucher said.

Families met their students' new friends and toured the campus. Students explained the infamous "potato" and told their parents the story of the gum tree's recent demise and the end of a tradition.

Many of the families spent time following the schedule provided by the University. Parents said that spending time with the student in his or her environment was the most important aspect of the day.

"Today is mainly for spending time together, seeing classes and finding out what she does on campus," Barbara Rowland, mother of sophomore Crystal Rowland, said.

The Kirksville Arts Association held the 26th annual Red Bam Craft Festival the same weekend as Family Day. Parents and students walked downtown and looked at the variety of booths offered at the festival. The size of the craft fair took people by surprise.

"The craft festival was fun. It was bigger than I thought it would be." Taucher said.

Parents wore sweat shirts boasting "Truman Mom" or "Truman Dad." Some parents went all-out to show their loyalty for their student's choice of school.

"We have an English bulldog at home and since it was a one-day trip, I tried to convince my husband to bring the bulldog-you know, your mascot-but he wouldn't let me," O'Rourke said.

-By Colleen Brown-

Family Day is just beginning as freshman Kristin Voss writes a welcome to her parents. Voss decorated her room with pictures in preparation for her parents' visit. Many students looked forward to showing their parents around campus and introducing them to new friends. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)







Students sit with their parents on the hill in Stokes Stadium. The home football game was a popular event for families to attend. The Bulldogs lost to Missouri Western State College (St. Joseph), 19 to 28. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)



around

town

- * Country Kitchen averaged \$6,000-\$7,000 more insales on Friday and Saturday of Family Dayweekend versus an average weekend.
- * Within two months of Family Day, all 105 rooms at the Days Inn were booked for the following year.
 - * Wal-Mart had a 20 percent increase in sales on Oct. 16, and groceries were the most frequently bought items.

alloween fell on a Sunday night in 1999, but that did not stop holiday festivities at Truman State University.

House wars in residential colleges sparked some Halloween activities. Missouri Hall sponsored a haunted house competition. Each house received a \$10 budget to decorate its lounge, and the winning house received \$25. Freshman Melissa Durst helped decorate the Elliot House lounge.

"We only had \$10 so we really had to make it stretch," Durst said. "We went to Dollar General so that we could get the cheapest Halloween decorations."

Residents held meetings to get volunteers and ideas for the haunted house. They hung black trash bags on the walls and over the lights to make it darker.

"Since we are on the first floor we have the soda and snack machines, and since we couldn't turn them off, we had to cover them up with trash bags," Durst said. "We also used spider webs and some scary music."

CHANL took children from the Kirksville community to various residence halls to trick-or-treat, and some residents handed out candy.

Trick-or-treating and costume parties highlighted the holiday for many students. Some opted to begin the celebration early.

Phi Sigma Pi fraternity held a "Fright Night" date party at the Theta Psi house on Oct. 30. Sophomore Kevin Bondy went as Scarface and his date, sophomore Jen Van Houten, dressed as a flapper.

"I hadn't been a mobster in a long time," Bondy said. "When I was little I was a mobster one year. It was so cool because I had a fake Tommy gun and everything."

TRICK OR TREAT

Halloween at Truman

By Sara Hoppe

On the third floor of Blanton Hall, sophomore Brandi Benz helps her residents decorate for the haunted house. Many children from the Kirksville community came to residential halls for trick-or-treating on Sunday night. Residents wanted the haunted house to be enjoyable for students but were careful to not make them too scary for the children.

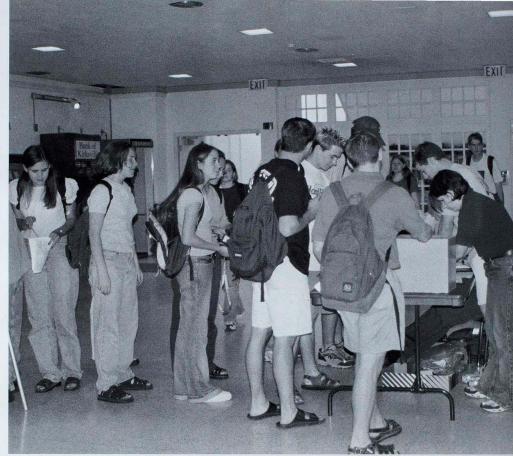




"We only had \$10 so we really had to make it stretch."

- freshman Melissa Durst

Ctudents voice their opinions aboutthe newgun legislation oncampus. Asstudents casted their votesfor Student Senate officerson Sept. 23 and 24, they also votedon whetherthe Department of Public Safety officers shouldcarry guns. Approximately71 percentof students whovoted said they opposedthe legislation.



Up

arms

- *The Department of Public Safety purchased 11 Glock .40-caliber model 23 guns
- *Each gun cost \$385, totaling \$4,235
- *DPS officers went through $470\,\mathrm{hours}$ of peace officer training
- *Training consisted of computer testing programs, **virtual reality** firearm simulation and outside training instruction







Guns on Campus

Tuman State University students were up in arms over the new legislation that allowed Department of Public Safety officers to carry firearms on campus.

When students and faculty returned to campus in late August, they learned of the Board of Governors' unanimous vote that permitted the arming of DPS officers.

"Ten sanctioned, non-student officers completed various training programs before being allowed to use their Glock .40-caliber model 23 guns," Lisa Sprague, Public Safety director, said.

Protection was the main reason for the decision.

"The guns were used to prevent criminal activity and protect members of the campus community from dangerous situations," Sprague said.

Junior James Knowles had armed officers on his high school campus and felt the University would benefit from the legislation.

"Our campus hasn't demonstrated a strong need for firearms, but if you want to prevent crime, you have to be prepared before it happens," Knowles said. "It's a decision made in the best interest of the students."

Not everyone agreed with Knowles. News of the arming issue appeared in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* and was a staple of campus media. It also sparked a spirited debate among students, faculty and the administration.

Purple ribbons, letters-to-the-editor and protest chants echoed the opinions of students who felt they were not properly consulted before the Board voted.

Sophomore Ben Garrett served as a media representative and organizer for students opposed to the legislation.

"Ithink it's important that students feel our voices count and are heard," Garrett said. "And it's too bad that some students feel it doesn't."

The issue appeared on the Student Senate election ballot in rebuttal of the Board's decision.

Of the 1,175 students who voted, 836 were opposed to the legislation. These results did not change the outcome of the Board's decision, but gauged some students' opinions.

"At first I was opposed to DPS having guns," junior Suzanne Lesinger said. "But after I thought about the tragedy at Columbine, I felt we needed extra protection on our campus."

-By Laura Ojile -

Students sign an anti-gun petition outside the Student Union Building. Questions, debates and protests filled the campus as more students became aware of the new gun legislation. The legislationdid not allow student officers to carry the guns, and the full-time officers received extensive training and certification to use their Glock .40-caliber model 23 guns. (photos by Ally Mizulski)

Sophomore Maria
Perez and senior Liz
Teasure jump for the
frisbee as senior Jeremy
Farishon looks on. Despite
the pit's vast size, some
students passed by it each day unaware of its existence. Other students utilized the pit for relaxing games of frisbee, football or wiffleball. (photo by Tina Patel)

"I really don't
understand why it's
there. It's a lost land
that could be used
for parking."
-senior Shawn Slick



t is like a sunken garden that sunk a little too much.

Unlike the Sunken Garden, the library pit was a mystery that students walked past each day. The purpose of the pit was unknown, but many students had their own ideas of what the pit should be used for.

Senior Shawn Slick thought the pit was a big waste of space.

"I really don't understand why it's there," Slick said. "It's lost land that could be used for parking."

Slick wanted to see the pit filled with water and turned into a swimming pool. "It would be a nice place to frolic," Slick said.

Junior Tracy Baiotto wanted to know the purpose of the pit.

"It seemed like a hazard more than anything," Baiotto said. "It's just a random hole."

While some students made use of the enclosed piece of land, other people observed from above.

"I saw people making out down there once," senior Michael Heien said.

The pit filled with water and mud on rainy days, and child-like behaviors erupted from students.

"A bunch of people were rolling in the mud, then jumping up against the wall and leaving mud prints of themselves," senior Julia Pankiewicz said.

Some referred to the pit as "the deer pit." A deer wandered onto campus and jumped over the fence surrounding the pit. The deer fell into the pit and broke its leg, but survived.

The campus planner, Douglas Winicker, was the key to solving the mystery. He said the pit's purpose was to provide daylight to the library staff downstairs, a service access to the library and a place for further landscape to be developed.

YSTERIOUS Land Down Under

By Melida Sanderson

Like the Sunken Garden and the potato, the pit is a landmark that gives the campus of Truman State University aunique personality. With its purpose unknown to many, students enjoyed conjuring up ways in which the pit could be used. (photo by Jeremy Early)

Rich with History

6 Cour odds of winning the lottery are better than getting a downtown loan."

Kirksville residents drove past this slogan and many others of its kind as Kaleidoscope's owners poured their banking history onto the billboard in front of their store.

Andy Skinta and his wife, Dot, placed their anti-bank slogans where drivers could read them as they passed through town. Skinta said he received only positive feedback, although he was a little hesitant when he and his wife put up the first signs.

"When we first put the signs up people loved them, but I was a nervous wreck," Skinta said. "But locals in the community, if I don't put the signs up, will stop me and ask why I don't have one up."

His wife put the first message up in the mid-1980s after they lost an ongoing battle with the Bank of Kirksville.

Skinta said his anti-bank sentiments grew from his first encounter with the bank. When he first started his business, Skinta said the bank gave him a \$15,000 credit line.

When his business proved to be successful, the bank said it would raise his credit line to \$30,000. After he bought all of the merchandise for his store, he said the bank refused to give him the money.

According to Skinta, the bank decided to foreclose on his business in the 1980s. His feelings toward banks took a turn for the worse when he borrowed money to go to law school and the bank did not supply the money.

"I almost lost everything," Skinta said. "I could never forgive [the bankers] for what they did. Bankers think that they are gods, but they are really just like you and me."

Skinta and his wife opened Kaleidoscope Audio Video in 1977. Skinta taught education at the University and ran the business on the side. He said he realized how much fun it was and decided to do it full time.

Many customers said the store's merchandise was far from the mainstream video store they were used to encountering. The store sold a variety of products, including many unusual gifts and other goods.

"It's got character," sophomore Robin Manley said. "[The store] has a little personality to it."

-By Ally Mizulski <mark>-</mark>

Kaleidoscope displays slogans against banks on its outside sign. "Just imagine what Judge Judy would do to your banker" was just one example that Kaleidoscope owners used to show disapproval toward local banks in Kirksville. (photo by Tina Patel)







Senior Amanda Jones browses throughthe vast selection of merchandise at Kaleidoscope. The unique shopsolda varietyof items including movies, Apple computers, tobacco products, jewelry, pornographyand clothing. (photoby Jeremy Early)



Keeping

record

*Kaleidoscope opened in 1977

*The idea to **fingerprint** customers came from **Las Vegas** where banks and other businesses fingerprinted customers as a form of **defense** or as a **tracking device**

*Andy Skinta, owner of Kaleidoscope, payed \$70-\$80 for each newly-released movie

xperts generally agreed that people aged 18-21 should eat three balanced meals per day, work out regularly, maintain a healthy social life, minimize stress and get *at least* eight hours of sleep per night. Despite these recommendations, students found it was impossible to follow all of those guidelines on a typical college schedule.

"I think that Truman gives a lot of homework and just pushes way too much," sophomore Ginny Jones said. "I've even talked with professors who agree with me on that. We just don't get enough time."

Most students compensated their busy schedules by sacrificing important aspects of a normal routine. Sleep, exercise and meals were often cut from the schedule. A shortage of these important physical factors, combined with others, often started a negative spiral that was difficult to break.

"I'd say everything suffers," junior Kurt Ulmer said. "I try to do everything, so I can't do anything as well. Then I start to give up on things. Half of my stress [comes from] the stress of worrying about other stuff. If I just stopped worrying about it and did it, that would make a huge difference."

The mental stress also affected students overall health. Many students packed so many things into their schedules they had little time to pursue friendships and outside interests.

"I sometimes feel like I know what to do to get the good grades and to get everything done," Haffey said. "But I feel like I'd learn a lot more if I weren't cramming everything in. [If I could], I would devote more time to studying, to reading the things I want to read and more quiet time just for myself."

Medical experts said that maintaining a social life and finding quiet time to be alone were extremely important to optimal mental health.

OVERWORKE

Students Sacrifice their Health

By Andrew Ashbaugh

F reshman Sarina Buchholtz sleeps on top of her books, exhausted from studying. Late night studying prevented students from getting all of the sleep they needed. To compensate for the lack of sleep, students often dozed in class.





'My mind and my friendships
suffer the most when I'm
busy... my head feel[s]
heavier because there's only
so much I can handle."
- junior Goeffrey Stumbaugh

Man of La Mancha

he Truman State University theatre department performed the musical *Man of La Mancha* as its "big budget" performance Feb. 9-12.

The student body responded warmly to the production. All four performances quickly sold out and the cast received standing ovations nightly.

"I think [the reception] has been very positive," senior Moira Cavanagh, publicity director and costume constructor, said. "There's been beautiful singing and wonderful acting. Tim Bounds has been brilliant. He's been so nervous because he's never done anything this big before, but I think he's embodied the character of Don Quixote very well."

The coordination between conductor Sam McClure, the 15-piece orchestra and the performers required special attention.

"The orchestra has to be on their toes the entire performance because they have to be looking for cues," sophomore Tim Bounds said. "As actors, we have to keep the conductor in the corner of our eyes, stay on-tempo and stuff like that. I wouldn't say [a musical is] harder than a drama, but there's more things you have to worry about."

Another obstacle was that the actors performed the musical in the round, an environment that the student actors were not accustomed to. Orchard's decision forced the cast to alter many of the habits they had developed through years of performing.

"If you're just doing a regular show where the audience is sitting out front, you don't have to take so many things into consideration," junior Rebecca McCreight said. "But because we were doing it in the round at the same level, if I'm just standing in one spot for a whole scene, I might be blocking someone's view in the audience. You have to keep moving and you have to consider 360 degrees around you the whole time."

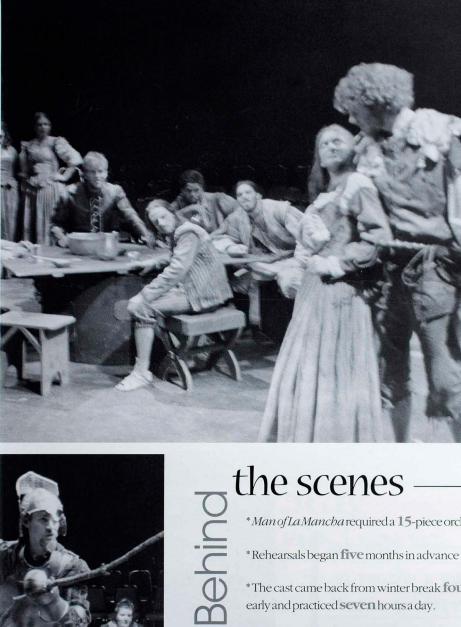
Despite the challenges the round presented, it created the intimate, overcrowded prison environment in which the musical was set. It also won adamant support from the cast.

"I think doing the show in the round was one of the best things," McCreight said. "The audience was literally only a foot away from us and sometimes we ended up on top of them. It's really interesting to have the audience so close that you can hear every reaction and they can see every look on your face. Things have to be more believable in the round."

– By Andrew Ashbaugh

Sophomore Tim Bounds, Don Quixote, prepares for battle with his stick and makeshift armor. *Man of La Mancha* was a story about the playwright Miguel de Cervantes who, while in prison, performed his play *Don Quixote* for the other prisoners to earn their respect.

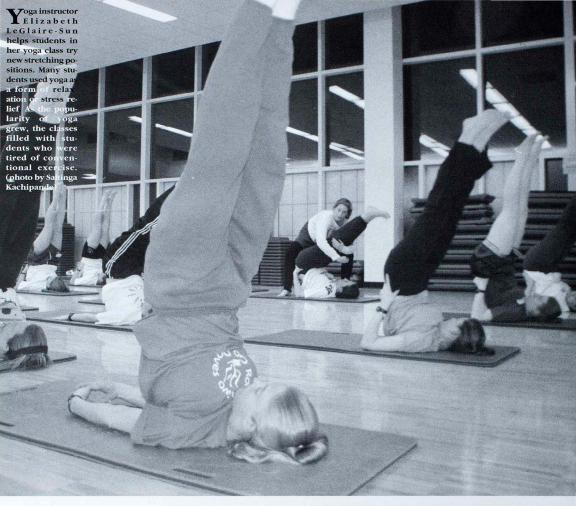




Senior Hubert, Pedro, grabsjunior Morgan Nevans, Aldonza, in atavern scene. The director castthe showearly in October because of many costume, scene and performance considerations. The actorswere then required to memorize alloftheir linesbefore the first rehearsalin January. (photosby Elizabeth Hoppis)

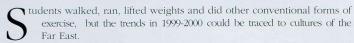


- *Man of La Mancha required a 15-piece orchestra
- *Rehearsals began **five** months in advance
- *The cast came back from winter break **four** days early and practiced seven hours a day.
- *Tickets were sold-out all four nights of the performance



"The variety of classes gives you a chance to try everything once."
-Liz Hopkins, Fitness/
Wellness Director, Student Recreation Center





Yoga became a fitness craze among students at Truman State University. Liz Hopkins, Fitness/Wellness Director for the Student Recreation Center, added yoga at the beginning of the 2000 spring semester. The class was held once a week and drew a crowd of 30-50 students and faculty members each session.

Junior Michelle Morrison said she tried yoga at the Rec Center because she heard about its physical and mental benefits. The stretching postures of yoga reduced stress, prevented injuries, sped up injury recovery and enhanced athletic performance. Morrison said she used yoga as a stress reliever.

"I enjoy yoga." Morrison said. "It's like 'Oh yea, I get to do yoga,' instead of 'Darn it, I have to go workout,' and I don't get all hot and sweaty doing it."

Other new fitness crazes were Tae Bo, kickboxing and forms of martial arts. Tae Bo combined Tae Kwon Do, karate, boxing, ballet and hip-hop dancing with other exercise motions.

"I do [Tae Bo] because I was getting sick of going over to the Rec Center all of the time," junior Jackie Lock said. "When I did it I was energized and I could tell the difference afterwards."

Intensity levels of Tae Bo varied and the moves were sometimes complicated. Although the Tae Bo collection offered step-by-step tapes which taught most of the moves, Lock said it was still difficult.

For students, faculty and staff who preferred to work out at the gym, the Rec Center offered 27 different classes ranging from step aerobics to Tae Kwon Do. Some of the most popular classes were Ab Blaster, yoga, ballet and jazz dancing.

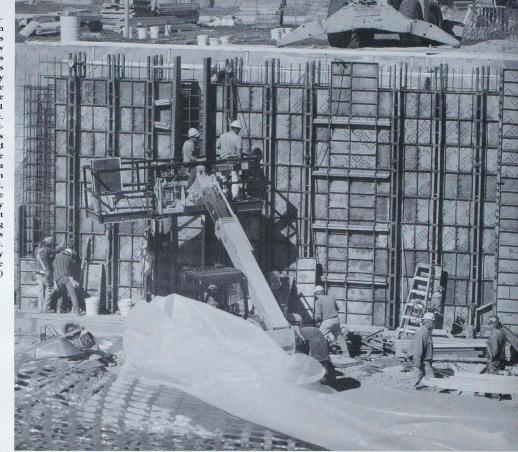
LTERNATIVE

Ways to Stay in Shape

By Ally Mizulski

Senior Kristin Orf works out with her Tae Bo video tape in her living room. Many students found that Tae Bo provided a great work out. Tae Bo tapes allowed students to exercise in the comfort of their own homes so they could work out at any time during the day. (photo by Beth McFadden)

onstruction continues on the new Fine Arts building as workers try to complete it before the fall 2001 deadline. The addition was constructed over the **Ophelia** Parrish parking lot, making the already prevalent parking problems worse. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)



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- *The projected cost to complete Ophelia Parrish was over **\$20 million**
- $^* The \, state \, initially \, funded \, \$900,\!000 \, for \, the \, new \, design \, and \, development \, of \, Ophelia \, Parrish$
- *The graduating class of 1950 helped by raising \$200,000 to dress up the main entranceway of the building







Reviving Ophelia

ibrant blades of spring grass and budding tulips were not the only things that sprouted in the spring of 2000. Following the long fall and cold winter, the vast space behind Ophelia Parrish gave way to a newly renovated Ophelia Parrish. The original ivy-covered brick walls resembling an old high school remained while construction crews expertly worked around them to construct the new Fine Arts facility.

The construction was a joint effort between students and faculty. Students chosen by faculty members served on construction committees for Ophelia Parrish and gave ideas for the design and construction of the building. The new facility was created to provide students with modern technology and state of the art facilities.

"We can only imagine what the students can do with the proper facilities," Bob Jones, head of the division of Fine Arts, said.

The construction of the 125,000 square foot Fine Arts facility was to be completed by the fall of 2001. Builders approached the project in three stages. They first renovated the south wing, tearing out the walls, ceiling and stairways.

The next step in the construction process was the new addition to Ophelia Parrish. A 74,000 square foot building was expected to be added by January 2001. It was to include a 500-seat music performance hall and a 300-seat theatre, along with a black box theatre, an acting studio and rehearsal rooms. Computers to help with lighting and set design were also part of the new addition.

"Students have done such a wonderful job with the facilities that they have right now, it will be neat to see what happens in the future," Jones said.

The third phase of the process would involve renovating the north wing, where the University Art Gallery was located. The design would allow the art gallery to remain, but additional galleries, classrooms and division offices would surround it.

Though the construction was inconvenient for some students and took away parking space, many were excited to see the building completed.

"The construction has not really been that big of a problem," freshman Tyler Spiegeo said. "Sometimes it can be a little noisy, but I am excited to see the final results."

-By Cara Murphy

Workers begin construction on Ophelia Parrish in the fall by laying the foundation for the new Fine Arts building. The final structure was to hold a 500-seat music performance hall and a 300-seat theatre. (photo by Jeremy Early)

pring brought agitation to everyone from students to senators when gas prices soared to nearly \$2 a gallon in many parts of the country. During March and April consumers and legislators outlined various ideas and plans geared toward reducing the high cost of gasoline.

Members of Congress proposed removing oil from the reserves and replacing it after prices lowered. This temporary solution, however, only reduced prices five to seven cents.

A reduction of a few pennies did not seem that sizeable, especially to students on a budget.

"If I had my own car, I would never be able to go home paying \$2 a gallon because I am always broke," sophomore Karla Robert said.

High prices prompted many drivers to participate in a "gas out." A gas out designated certain days when people were encouraged not to buy gas. People purchased gas on the days before the gas out, and then consumers boycotted gas stations for two to three days.

This solution did not completely solve the problem either.

"If gas outs hurt the business of the local gas station, then I won't participate in them," junior Jill Franklin said. "It's not the Amoco on Baltimore's fault that gas prices are so outrageous."

Presidential candidates included promises of gas price reduction in their platforms, but students said they hoped the problems would be resolved before then. Although high gas prices frustrated students, many kept a sense of humor about the issue.

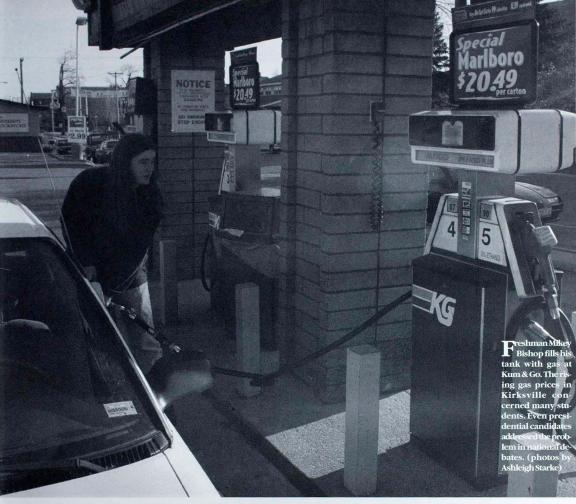
"I am excited that I cannot afford to put gas in my car and I will have to walk everywhere I need to go, especially home to St. Louis for the summer," Franklin said.

PRICES CLIMB

to Incredible New Heights

By Laura Ojile

Junior Ben Sturdevant unlocks his bike from the rack in front of Violette Hall. The rise in gas prices caused more students to walk or bike to class in order to save money.





"...I will have to walk
everywhere I need to go,
especially home to St.

Louis for the summer."
- junior Jill Franklin

Construction
began in the
fall of 1999 to
add a fine arts
wing on Ophelia
Parrish. With
help from the
state of Missouri,
the total cost was
expected to
reach nearly \$19
million. (photo
by Jeremy Early)



ACADEMICS



Truman State University was widely known for its academics. We knew that the University's programs were top-notch, but many of us did not realize the extent of their fame. We found out that our health science program was considered the best in the world. We even heard ourselves referred to as students who attended the Harvard of the Midwest. We found that although the academic level at the University was impressive, comparing it to Harvard was a stretch. Some people within the University thought it would be a good idea to implement a policy where students would receive a "W" if they dropped a class after one week. Many students and faculty members were opposed to this idea and the policy failed to pass. As we plunged further into our studies, we learned more about the realities of life each day.



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Science Hall CHANGES FACE

aldwin. Blanton. Dobson. Ryle. McClain. These names are familiar to every Truman State University student. Even though many students are not sure what these men did or when they did it, their significance to the University is inferred because their names are attached to the buildings on campus.

How many students think of the University when they hear names such as Elkins, Mittler, Dagger or Warren? All four served terms as the University's president. These names, however, have not been commemorated on campus and are unknown to all except for a handful of students and professors.

The Board of Governers decided to rename Science Hall to Magruder Hall, ensuring that the current president, Jack Magruder, would be remembered at the University after his term ends.

"I was a little surprised," Magruder, who was serving his fifth year as the University's president, said. "For several years people had talked to me about [the renaming of Science Hall] and we have a tradition of naming building after presidents, but you don't have to follow tradition. The board just decided to do this on their own."

Magruder had deep roots in the University's science department. He taught chemistry for 22 years

and later served as the head of the Science Division. "I can't think of a better person's name to put on

resident Jack Magruder takes off his paint cap after washing a window with long-time friend James Stookey. Stookey brought back many memories for Magruder. When Science Hall was first built, the two volunteered to wash more than

1,000 windows in the new building. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis) a science building," Dr. Scott Ellis, the current head of the Division of Science, said. "He's worked hard all his years here for the Science Division. We're all excited. [The board] made a good decision."

Magruder's presidency, though short, had already produced several institutional improvements. He oversaw the construction of the new Student Recreation Center and the name change from Northeast Missouri State. Magruder also obtained state funding to extensively renovate Violette Hall, Ophelia Parish and the newly renamed Magruder Hall.

"I think he's a wonderful educator and leader," Dean Van Galen, chief advancement officer, said. "He is a very warm person who has a deep interest in students and student learning."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

Major VOIK TO MAKE THE GRADE

By Tom Palmier

The cries of overworked, stress-ridden students were never far from Truman State University.

The burden of carrying a full load of classes coupled with a job and various extracurricular activities was a little overwhelming at times, but this did not stop some majors from requiring extra outside school work for their students.

Designed with the thought of providing a more real-world setting, these activities ranged from hosting a radio show on the campus radio station to doing a 30-page research paper.

The required activities varied by major. The theatre department required theatre majors to be in plays for some classes.

The students' goal was to strengthen their skills in their respective fields through real-life experiences. Most rehearsals lasted about a month, and actors worked five days a week for three to four hours a day, on top of doing homework and getting sleep.

Teachers said that they liked the idea of students getting work done outside of the classroom. Some saw it as a rewarding way to reach the students on a more personal level. Most teachers said that extracurricular activities did not hinder a student's ability to focus on other classes as well. The extra work was seen as part of the liberal arts experience.

Communication was another major that required some extra work from students. Senior Joe Klug, a communication major, worked for KTRM, the Index and TruNews while at the Univer-

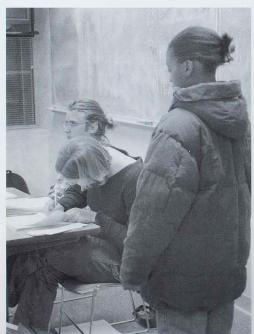
"It could be tough balancing [KTRM] and school," Klug said. "Overall, it's worth it. It helped me to focus on what area I wanted to go into after college as well as my studies."

Biology majors participated in extensive research. Not all students minded the extra work, and many students said they enjoyed the experience and found working outside of class to be very helpful.

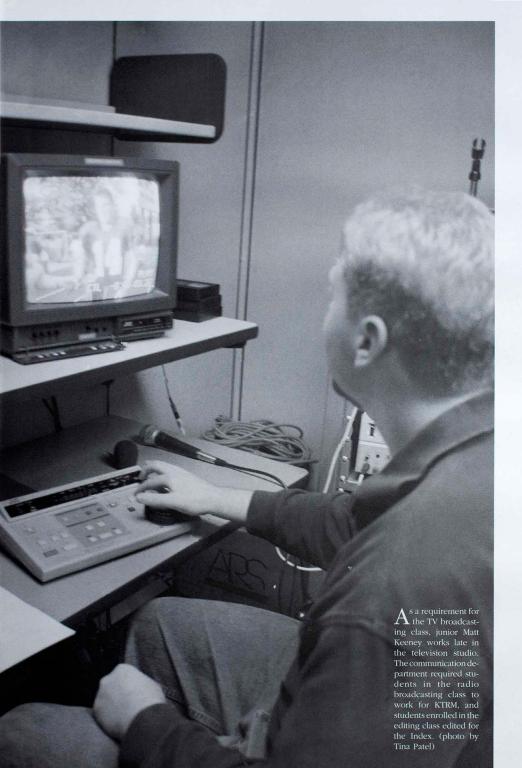
"Doing ecology research really helped my researching process in general," senior biology major April Orsborn said.

Having real-life experience boosted potential job opportunities for many students. Outside work provided hands-on experience and strengthened students' resumes.

"You can only learn so much from classes," sophomore biology major Ricky Bambeneck said. "There comes a time when you just need more, no matter what the cost."



esting is in progress as senior David Widitz and sophomore Kim Carpenter conduct research required for their psychology major. Students participating in the testing volunteered 30 minutes of their time to give their perceptions of high school teachers, (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)



How Truman

By Sara Stites

MEASURES UP

The Harvard of the Midwest. Every student at Truman State University had heard this phrase a thousand times, although no one could confirm where the phrase actually came from. Some people thought the name was invented by students, others believed the administration coined the phrase to boost the status of the University and others said it was quoted in a magazine. The name stuck despite its unknown origins.

| How They | Compare* | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | Truman | Harvard |
| Size | 6,704 | 7,146 |
| Acceptance rate | 78% | 12% |
| Student to faculty ratio | 16/1 | 8/1 |
| Average graduation rate | 60% | 97% |
| In-state total costs | \$7,762 | \$24,407 |
| Average financial aid package | \$5,022 | \$21,967 |
| Fraternity members | 33% | N/A |
| Sorority members | 20% | N/A |
| Students living off campus | 55% | 3% |

As the University became more nationally known in the 1990s, it received substantial recognition for its students' scholastic achievements.

U.S. News and World Report's "Year 2000 Annual Guide to America's Best Colleges" listed the University as the 9th Best Regional School. Excluding private schools, the University jumped to No. 1. The report ranked schools by selectivity, ACT/SAT scores, tuition, financial aid availability and the academic success of students.

The 1999 freshman class had an average GPA of 3.6 and an average ACT score of 27, proof that the University was one of the more academically challenging schools in the Midwest. Comparing the University to Harvard University was a different story.

"I feel like I'm getting a good education," sophomore Rachel Huffey said, "but I don't know if I would compare us to Harvard."

Though the University's ranking was impressive for a state school in the Midwest, it did not compare to the prestige of Harvard.

U.S. News and World Report ranked Harvard No. 2 out of all national universities. Harvard was much more selective and had students with SAT scores between 1400 and 1580 (comparable to ACT scores of 31-35).

Much of the University's high status was attributed to the "good education at a fair price." Tuition and room/board at the University was less expensive compared to many universities, costing \$7,962 for in-state students.

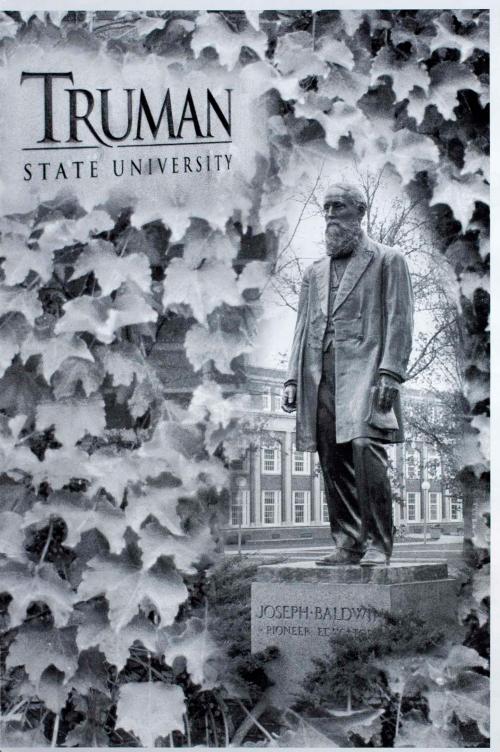
More expensive schools, however, made up for their high costs by granting financial aid. Of those undergraduates who applied for financial aid, Harvard met the need for 100 percent of them while the University only provided for 54 percent.

The two schools were vastly different and the comparison seemed a

stretch

"Truman just doesn't stack up to Harvard, but that's what I like about it," junior Katie Albers said. "This is a place where presumption doesn't rule and humanity is more important than competition."

^{*} All information provided by U.S. News and World Report







Health Science THE SECRET IS OUT

The Truman State University Health Department proved to be the best health science program in the United States and 13 countries when it won the 1998 International AWHP Undergraduate Professional Preparation Program of the Year Award.

"We are the best in the world," Carol Cox, health science professor, said.

Awards for the University's health science department literally littered Cox's office. Stockpiled in corners and plastered on walls, the many awards took up more space than her personal items.

"We'll always make room for awards," Cox said.
"It's nice to see students come in and say, 'Yeah,
I achieved that. I earned that.'"

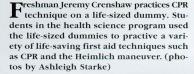
Along with the awards was a 10-page press kit that told the numerous accomplishments of the health science department.

"It's a well kept secret," Cox said. "Not many students know of our reputation but the graduate programs and businesses sure do."

The health science department at the University boasted a 100 percent passing rate of all graduates in their Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) senior exit exam. Many health science students were also offered credible positions at well-known health-related companies prior to graduation.

Students in the health science department excelled in many areas. They were not only actively invovled in programs within the health depart-

ment, but also within many organizations throughout the Univeristy.

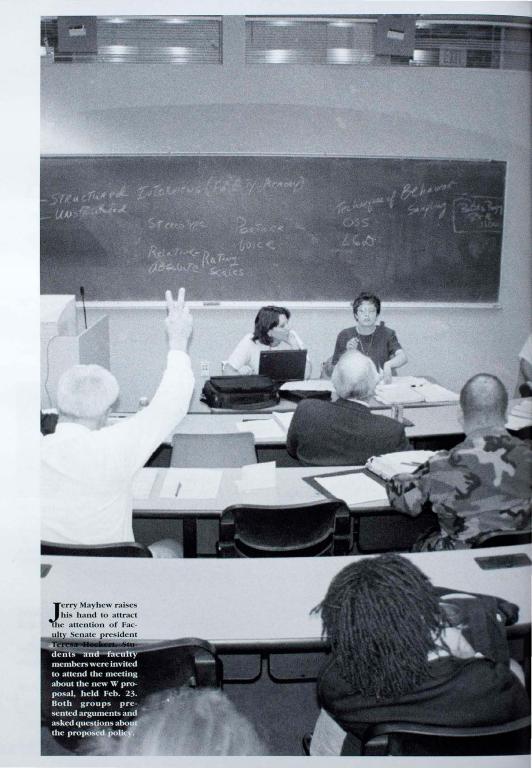


Senior Sarah West was awarded the American Alliance for Health Education (AAHE) Major of the Year award in 1999. She was also the Eta Sigma Gamma Gamman of the Year and Truman State Campus Activities and Organization Center's president of the year.

West said the strong relationship between the students and the teachers, as well as how the program was implemented, set the University's health science department apart from the rest.

"The teachers are very dedicated and really help guide you," West said. "They based all the classes and programs off of the national exam."

By Tom Palmier



Students Speak

AND FACULTY LISTENS

By Erin Hucke

When concerns over students' ability to get into needed classes and questions of transcript manipulation arose, Faculty Senate sought to remedy these problems with the W proposal.

The resolution stated Truman State University would place a W, signifying withdrawal, on a student's transcript if the student dropped a class after four weeks instead of allowing a drop period of ten weeks as the current policy stated.

The Undergraduate Council originally wanted to use the W proposal to remedy the course availability problem, but Faculty Senate thought the proposal was a way to provide more accurate transcripts and a more positive reputation for the University.

Faculty Senate said some students manipulated their transcripts by dropping classes they were afraid of failing.

"Reputations are very hard to get rid of, and they are also very hard to get. And so I think [the W proposal] is just one of several steps," David Christiansen, associate professor of Classics and Undergraduate Council chairman, said.

A Faculty Senate subcommittee explored the issue and found that other public liberal arts colleges and Missouri state schools were not as relaxed in their drop policies as the University. They also found that the proposal would not remedy course availability.

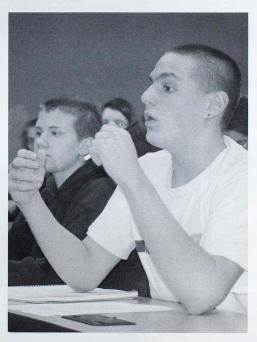
"You're not going to solve course availability with telling students they have to drop after the fourth week or they get a W," sophomore Steve Majors, Student Senate Academic Affairs committee chairman, said. "To solve course availability you've got to have more courses and you've got to have more teachers."

Faculty Senate held an open meeting on Feb. 23 to hear student concerns and debate the ramifications of the proposal. Over 100 students and faculty filled the room and students rallied against the W proposal.

Faculty Senate voted on the proposal. The vote resulted in a tie – five yes, five no and one abstention. Under Sturgis Parliamentary Procedure, abstentions were counted as no's.

Students saw this as a victory, but faculty found student involvement in the issue misplaced.

"I think ultimately it failed because of the massive student presence at Faculty Senate," Christiansen said. "I think [some faculty senators] became very cautious when they saw the student opposition...[I]f this debate had been framed better and been brought forth in a more balanced fashion by the *Index...*we wouldn't have seen this outpouring of student concern."



Sophomore Ben Garrett speaks his mind during the Feb. 23 meeting about the W proposal. Some students were against the proposed policy because they were concerned that a W on their transcripts would be viewed unfavorably by graduate schools. (photos by Beth Doling)



Uncovering DRAWING III

The Truman State University General/Graduate Bulletin described ART 315, Drawing III, as "Intensification of media exploration with emphasis on the human figure." This description left students confused with much more to uncover.

Drawing III was a nude figure drawing class required for all University art majors. Teachers put some concentration on art history, but the course focused on the human physique and form.

"Traditionally, it's an important subject matter," Jim Jereb, associate professor of art, said. "The ability to draw the figure is something to work towards. Being able to draw [it]

demonstrates technical drawing skills."



Sophomore Denise Magditch concentrates on Capturing the structure and expressive qualities of the figure. To learn how to draw the human figure, students began the course by observing skeletal studies and learning the parts of the body. Art professors said this would help students portray a more realistic drawing of the form.

The figure drawing class focused on the structure of the body, its anatomy, design and expressive qualities. While figures were fundamental to the class, figure drawing served as a way to narrate stories and show feelings and relationships.

"Figure drawing incorporates basic drawing skills with personal humanity, and deeper, personal meanings," Jereb said.

Any University student could model for the semester and receive institutional pay.

"A lot of schools have professional models, but ours are actually students of the University," sophomore Kristen Sonderman said. "So the people you see naked in class you might see on campus."

With a class size of 15 to 20 students and an extremely private, accepting atmosphere, models

felt at ease in a potentially uncomfortable environment.

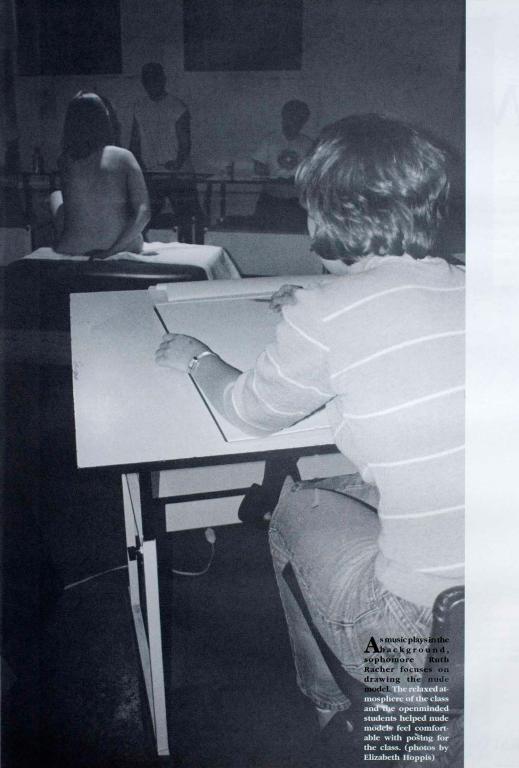
"Everyone in the class is in the same position." Sonderman said. "You."

"Everyone in the class is in the same position," Sonderman said. "You have to look at it from a professional standpoint."

The discomfort of drawing nude students was something these artists said they were able to look past, and the models became subjects on paper.

"Because the students have to concentrate on drawing and models have to concentrate on modeling, the model poses and very quickly becomes shapes and lights and darks," Jereb said.

By Laura Ojile



Numbers Rise

PROGRAM GROWS

By Ginny Windels

The Truman State University nursing program was a highly competitive Bachelor of Science degree that prepared students for a wide range of nursing careers.

The 150-member program began in 1972 when the Missouri State Board of Nursing and the National League for Nursing accredited the University's nursing program. In addition to completing a regular University application for enrollment, students also had to fill out a separate application for the nursing program. Connie Ayers, director of the nursing program, said they received more applications recently because the market was higher than in the past.



ophomores Melissa Wilson and Molly Steidley practice checking jugular venous pressure on sophomore Laura Bachman. After watching videos and demonstrations by professors, nursing students were able to try various techniques on each other and life-sized dummies.

"The application process is competitive since we generally have more applications to the program than available spaces," Ayers said. "Admission is based on the same types of requirements that the University looks at, so it is competitive in the same sense that getting into Truman is. You have to get into Truman first, and then you will be considered for the nursing program."

Nursing students took liberal arts and science courses as well as introductory nursing courses during the first two years. Junior and senior years focused more on specific nursing courses and clinical practicum experiences. Clinical experiences involved working in community hospitals, schools, clinics and nursing homes.

Freshman Tracy Downs said the program was challenging.

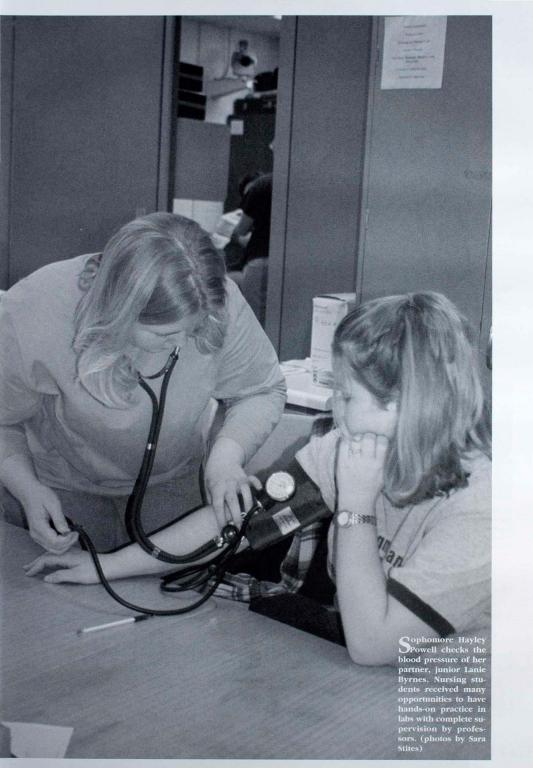
"As an incoming freshman you are not only up against other incoming freshman, but also upperclassmen who have changed their major or were previously undecided," Downs said.

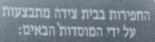
Nursing students said the good reputation of the University and the program was one reason they chose the University over others.

"Truman was the only school I considered attending for several reasons," senior Kelly Hildebrandt said. "I was impressed with its reputation of being one of the best schools in the Midwest and affordable as well."

Freshman Kristin Voss was glad to be a part of the program. "I feel very privileged to be a part of the program," Voss said. "I love the fact that my teachers know my name and care about my future. My nursing adviser is always there to answer any questions that I have to help me in deciding which path to take."

Ayers said that after graduation, students had to pass a license exam to become a registered nurse. Most graduates generally went into hospitals or in-home health care. Job placement for nursing program graduates was 100 percent in previous years.





Bethsaida Excavations Project is housed at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, USA

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President Jack Magruder stands next to the stone pillar that holds the names of universities that participated in the archeological dig in Bethsaida, Isreal. Since the dig began in 1987, workers uncovered many artifacts including a four-chambered city gate, stone figures of ancient pagan gods and a bronze incense shovel used in Roman temples.



Uncovering

The Bethsaida Excavation Project gave Truman State University students the chance to travel to Israel, Jordan and Syria. Students worked at the excavation site and were able to visit these countries in the Middle East.

The excavation of Bethsaida began in 1987 and was sponsored by a consortium between the University and 17 other universities. Bethsaida was known as one of the last major cities associated with the life of Jesus and Christianity. The city vanished after a major earthquake and catastrophic flood occurred in the region.

"Exposure to the dynamics of intense political and social conflict, religions and cultural diversity and a distinctive historical record of immense consequence creates a range of unforgettable experiences and provocative insights," Mark Appold, professor of religion, said in a press release.

The University's involvement with the project began in 1989 when Appold visited with colleagues who felt this would be a great project.

"We as a University decided to take part in the endeavor," University president Jack Magruder said. "I am glad that our University is part of something of significance and this great opportunity."

Two books, "Bethsaida: A City by the North Shore of the Sea of Galilee, Volume I" and "Volume II," were written through collaboration of the universities in-

volved with the project. The books contained a collection of essays about the excavation of Bethsaida and were published by the Truman State University Press.

Nancy Reschly, marketing and sales manager for the University Press, said in an *Index* article that the editor's intent in creating the books was to include a background of Bethsaida.

President Magruder and nine others presented the books to Pope John Paul II after his afternoon prayers. Reverend Bargil Pixner, an archeologist for the Roman Catholic church in Israel, spoke and presented the items to the Pope while the rest of the delegation watched. Pixner originally identified Bethsaida and was active in getting the Pope to come to the Bethsaida site.



Pope John Paul II travels to a ceremony in Bethsaida, Isreal. At the ceremony, Reverend Bargil Pixner presented the pope with books written by a collaborative effort of all 17 universities involved in the dig. The books contained information about Bethsaida's archeology, geology and literature. (photos submitted)

By Colleen Brown

Career Fair

By Tom Palmier

LACKS VARIETY

The Truman State University Career Expo intended to give students the opportunity to find jobs relating to their fields of study. Communication and English majors, however, said they did not benefit from the program.

"I walked through [the Expo] with jeans and a T-shirt on because I knew there wasn't going to be anything there for me," senior English major Lizzie Schuerman said.

After the fair was over, some students created a petition to voice their contempt for the Expo. Some University faculty members saw this approach as indirect and unproductive.

Junior Amy Sanders, copyeditor for the *Index*, looks over a page for grammatical errors before sending it to print. Many communication majors worked on the various media staffs to acquire experience for their careers. Working for the campus media also helped students build their resumes.

"Creating a petition in a workplace would get you fired on the spot," Lesa Kerlin, Career Placement Center director, said.

Kerlin also said no one came and complained to her directly.

"How can we do anything about this after the event," Kerlin said. "We'll work on that [for next year's Expo] but if students are upset, they need to come visit us in person."

Kerlin and other faculty members said that students lacked the initiative to ask or to create interest in job opportunities.

"We exist to help students find jobs," Kerlin said. "All students have to do is walk through our door."

Students said the Expo was a sour reflection of the Career Placement Center.

"The Career Center is not understanding of different disciplines," Schuerman said.

Communication professor Amanda Jones said the Expo brought companies that looked to hire business majors and usually sought mass employment.

"It just doesn't make much sense for companies looking to hire communication majors to come to a university career fair because they're probably looking to hire one or two people," Jones said.

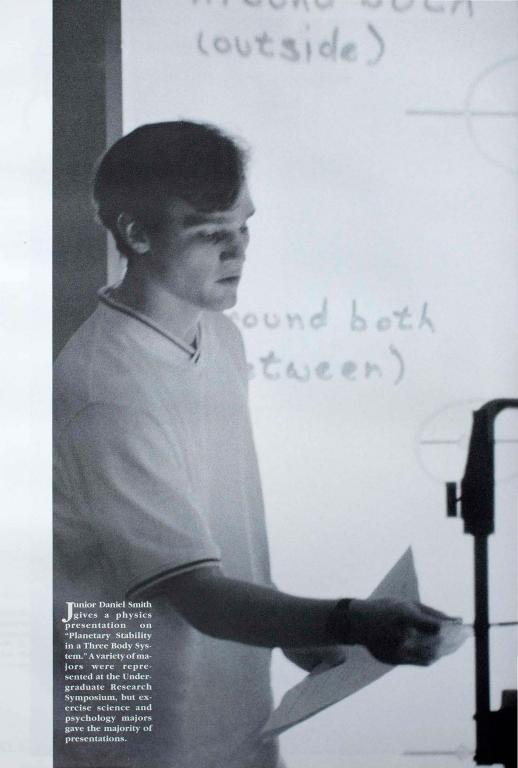
Junior Christine Clark said the Expo was not set up to target communication majors.

"It seems like it's just thrown together and we're the afterthought," said Clark.

Career Placement Center employees disagreed.

"Forty percent of the 160 employees present at the Career Fair were interested in hiring all majors, so that debunks that theory," Kerlin said. "The problem is communication majors don't know how to introduce themselves [to employers]. We can help them with that."







Extensive Effort TERRIBLE TURNOUT

Symposium, yet many students left the presentations wondering what the purpose of the program was.

Many students on campus were unaware of the purpose of the Undergraduate Research Symposium, and others did not know when and where the presentations would be given. This caused a low turnout which disappointed many of the participants.

"There should have been more people there," junior Andrea Hein said.

Hein said she felt the low turnout was due to disorganization, but not all students thought so.

"I thought it was very organized," senior Sarah Fluegel said. "I was impressed that Debra Kurby, the division head of the business department, tried to come to all of the business presentations."

Those who participated said it was disheartening that more people were not there to watch and learn from the research they had done. Many students dedicated a lot of time and hard work to these presentations as well as the experiment itself. James Padfield, Undergraduate Research Symposium coordinator, said the amount of time students spent preparing their presentations varied.

"I spent 30-40 hours preparing information for my paper, which took about seven hours to write,

at a poster project on "Testing for the Presence of Ehrlichia and Hantaviral Antibodies in Northern Missouri Rodents." Some students were disappointed in the small number of people who came to view their presentations. (photos by Robin Perrtree)

uniors Andrea Newton and Carol Tracy look

and then another four to five hours getting ready for the presentation," Hein said.

Padfield said all disciplines were represented in the Undergraduate Research Symposium, especially the exercise science and psychology programs.

In order to participate in the Undergraduate Research Symposium students first submitted proposals about their projects. The abstracts were reviewed and each student was then granted a 15-minute time slot by a panel of professors in their discipline.

Many students used the Undergraduate Research Symposium to prepare for the future. "Students participate to gain experience and get ready for graduate school," Padfield said.

By Erin Machens

Guest Speakers By Andrew Ashbaugh SHATTER STEREOTYPES

The term "distinguished scholar" conjured up images of old bookworms with multiple Ph.D.s who rambled for hours about the muscles in the human toe or the 15,000th decimal place of pi using terminology that would perplex Webster himself.

Truman State University's Distinguished Visiting Scholar program, however, shattered most students' stereotypes of academic guest speakers.

"We want someone who's friendly and accessible," Michael McManis, Dean for Planning and Institutional Development, said. "It's a given that [anyone we consider] is an expert in their field, so we're looking for someone who can talk to folks from different backgrounds and communicate a message. Sometimes you'll see very brilliant people

Journalist and historian David Halberstam visits Truman State University. The University tried to bring scholars who were not only experts in their field, but who could also communicate with students and faculty. This created a more amiable environment between the scholars and the students. (photo submitted)

who have difficulty communicating. All things being equal, we don't want to bring someone in who may be able to write a brilliant book, but can't speak and can't relate [with our students]"

The program's concept was simple. The University paid scholars to stay in Kirksville for three days to two weeks. This allowed the guests to give multiple lectures on multiple topics, visit classrooms and meet with faculty and students one-on-one.

"Our objective is to bring some of the intellectual leaders in the country and the world to the campus for a short period of time," McManis said. "A student with a special interest in poetry, mathematics, history or journalism has had some real opportunities this year to have small group sessions with some of the best people in their field."

Students who attended said they enjoyed the presentations. "I enjoyed [Devlin's speeches] a lot," senior Rebecca Sharpe said. "He made the information accessible to everyone. [Devlin] made analogies to being in a canoe and things like that so you didn't have to know vectors or trajectories to understand the concepts."

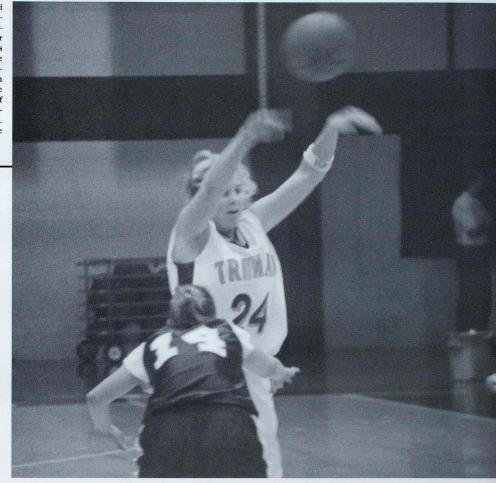
The biggest complaint students had about this program was that they could not find the time to take full advantage of it. Although McManis admitted that scheduling conflicts arose, he said he was satisfied with student support for the program.

McManis also said the program was good for the University.

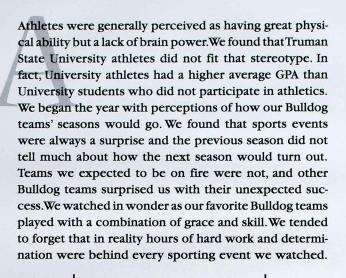
"I think this is an exciting program," McManis said. "Having a prominent person come and stay for a while [at a university] is unusual. You see it a little more frequently with research universities. But the kind of program we have, for a predominantly undergraduate student body, is certainly special."



unior Kelli Kreuser attempts at throwing the ball over an opponent's head. The women's basketball ended fourth in the conference with a record of 12-6, and an overall record of 17-8. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)



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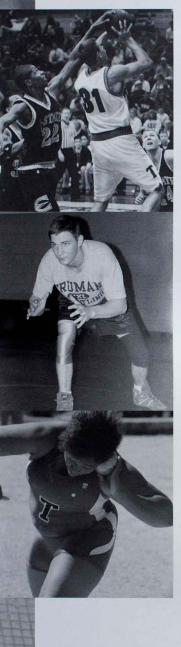


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Nation's Several athletes qualify

nationally in their respective sports

ll-American, national qualifier, record breaker - these terms of Lten described a successful athlete. but athletes told their stories of success differently. Each had a different opinion of what their success meant to them.

The women's swim team produced eight national champions including freshman Kelli Dudley, who claimed the national title in the 200-meter backstroke.

Dudley said that after this achievement she knew she would be expected to do just as well the following year.

"My performance at Nationals was unexpected, so now I have a reputation to uphold," Dudley said.

With this pressure ahead of her, Dudley stressed the importance of having fun.

"I can't expect to do any better next year without enjoying myself in the pool," Dudley said.

Other national champions for the women's swim team were senior Jen Malone, juniors Bryna Busch, Andrea Newton and Jess Martin, sophomore Bridget Riley and freshmen Sara Hatcher and Liz Hug.

Junior Natasha Carter earned her first All-American honor in the shotput. She threw a distance of 56-2 1/2 for a fourth place finish overall.

Carter said she hoped her accomplishment encouraged her teammates to work hard to accomplish the same thing.

"Making All-American makes the team feel good about each other and if a few succeed, then everyone will try to follow the same path," Carter said.

Senior Cory Parker completed his career as both an All-American and a record breaker. He broke the University's career scoring record in the 1999-2000 season. Despite these accomplishments, Parker said he had more important things to worry about than receiving national recognition. Parker was one of four captains, and he took his job seriously.

"A team leader should try and do as much as he can for the team," Parker said. "You don't want to try to do too much or it hurts the team."

Junior Mike Peterson said he was proud of his teammate and commended Parker on his unselfishness and consistent dedication to the team.

"He would always get the All-American stuff, but that really didn't matter to him at all," Peterson said. "It always mattered how well the team did."

As a four-time academic All-American and a three-time qualifier for Nationals. senior Brad Kieffer had one more goal to accomplish - to be named an All-American in wrestling. Kieffer accomplished this goal when he placed fifth at the NCAA Division II championships, earning his first All-American title.

Kieffer said he was proud of being named an All-American, and it proved that everyone's hard work had paid off.

"It's a great feeling because it's what I have been working for over the last five years," Kieffer said. "I was also happy to accomplish that for my coach and the people that I wrestle with because they were vital to my success."

By Carey Michenfelder

pop: Senior Cory Parker, men's basketball captain and All-American, attempts a layup during a home game. Middle: All-American senior Brad Kieffer practices wrestling techniques, and placed fifth at the NCAA Division II championships. Bottom: Junior Natasha Carter earns a fourth place finish overall at the national competition in the shotput.





The men of the Truman State University foot ball team relied on senior leadership and experience to pull through the 1999 season.

Even though 10 of the 17 starters were seniors, underclassmen made up the bulk of the team.

"Early in the season, there were a lot of inexperienced guys so we could not play to our full capabilities," head coach John Ware said. "But by the end of the season, they had more exposure and could play better."

The team also struggled at the beginning because of the addition of a new offensive and defensive coordinator.

"We had a slow start with the new system being imple-

SPIRITOR Leaders

mented," Ware said. "We could not get going until the fall semester."

With all these new elements, Ware depended on the leadership of the seniors to guide the team.

"I believe in senior leadership," Ware said. "I have to rely on it. It is needed both on and off the field in order to improve the football team."

Seniors experienced both the trials and victories of previous seasons, and Ware and his staff relied on these players to step up and take the leadership positions.

Senior Ethan Owens said that Ware encouraged the younger players to improve their performances, but he put a lot of emphasis on the seniors.

"[Ware] put a challenge on all of us to step up and improve our game and our leadership," Owens said.

Senior players were not used (continued on page 71)

By Stephanie Allder, Andy Lewis and Tina Patel



Sophomore Kevin Collins attempts to run the ball against Missouri Western State College (St. Joseph). Approximately 4,000 fans fill the stands of Stokes Stadium to cheer on the Bulldogs in their fight against the Griffons. The 'Dogs were defeated 19 to 28.



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to being looked up to but it did not take long for them to realize the important role they played on the team because of their senior status.

"The beginning of the year was slow, but we began to realize that we were seniors and that was when we stepped up into our leadership roles," senior Tony Marek said. "Ultimately this was our last year and we needed to win some ball games."

Sophomore quarterback Eric Howe said that senior leadership skills were obvious in all they did.

"The seniors are great leaders," Howe said. "This leadership has had a great impact on underclassmen because of the way the seniors play hard and carry themselves on and off the field."

The team also had to develop Howe's skills. Howe started only one game in 1998, but his inexperience at the college level did not concern Ware.

"[Howe] had to learn a new offense, and the offense takes awhile to learn," Ware said. "Early in the season he struggled some with the offense, but I could see his potential as a quarterback."

Soon Howe's potential developed into real skill. He became a leading impact on the team.

"No matter what year you were, the quarterback assumed more of a leadership role," Ware said. "The players, upperclassmen and underclassmen looked up to him."

Improvements were apparent in the team. Howe was Offensive Conference Player of the Week two weeks in a row, and senior Ramon Christopher was Defensive Conference Player of the Week at the same time. Having an offensive and a defensive conference player of the week at once was a great accomplishment.

The season was one in which the older players took on the leadership role and the younger players stepped up to their potential.

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"We were a young football team that struggled, but many of the veteran players tried to step up," Ware said. "We will have a good football team down the road. The future is bright but because of the young players and new system, this season was more of a learning season."

Quarterback Eric Howe works to assist the Bulldogs with a touchdown pass during their game against Missouri Western State College (St. Joseph). With underclassmen making up the bulk of the team, Howe provided leadership by stepping up as a sophomore starter. Howe had a total of 18 touchdown passes in 10 games. (photos by Mike Jorgenson)

Touth, friendship and hard work were the keys to the successful cross country teams. Youth did not necessarily mean inexperience. The majority of runners on the men's and women's teams were freshmen and sophomores.

Sophomore Beth Luebbering and freshman Leah Zidon were named to the all-conference team from the women's team, and Andy Doering, Matt Helby and Ben Rosario were named to the all-conference and all-regional teams. Doering also qualified for the NCAA Division II National Championships.

Long daily runs allowed team members to form friendships. Team bonds proved critical to the teams' success

"We work hard together and push each other during practice and during our races," Luebbering said. "We are like a family and that really helps us to succeed."

Comparisons between track and cross country were often made, but were sometimes inaccurate. Track was more of an individual sport while cross country depended a great deal on team unity.

"Cross country is much less specialized," senior cocaptain Aaron Aversman said. "Of course you are still running, but everyone runs the same race and distance."

Runners took to the streets outside Kirksville to avoid traffic and the monotony of the track at Stoke's Stadium.

"We run a 3-4 mile course in the middle of the country outside of Kirksville, usually on hilly gravel roads with little or no traffic," junior co-captain Scott Henderson said.

The teams had different workouts to prepare and train for meets. The men's workout consisted of running while the women's had a little more variety.

Success depended on how much effort was applied. Runners who practiced in the off-season said they improved their time and confidence.

"A person who strives in cross country is someone who is determined, dedicated and strong," Luebbering

By Carey Michenfelder

Running Young

A ll-conference team member, sophomore Beth Luebbering, runs in a cross country meet. She achieved all-conference status by placing sixth with a time of 18:56. (photo submitted)







Sophomore Matt Helbig and freshman Ben Rosario run in a conference meet. The men's cross country team took third place out of eight teams at the MIAA Cross Country Championships on Oct. 24 in Rolla, Mo. Helbig, Rosario and sophomre Andy Doering earned all-conference honors. (photo submitted)

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-3rd/24teams

MIAAChampionships -3rd/8teams

NCAA Great Lakes Regional -8th/22teams

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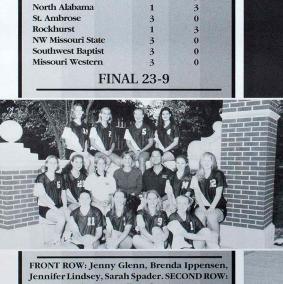
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Doering placed 26th in the eNCAA Championships



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Young players help volleyball team finish second in the MIAA conference

The Truman State University women's volleyball team shattered the stereotype of the young, struggling team by posting a 23-9 overall record and a second place finish in the MIAA. The starting lineup of the young team included three freshmen and two sophomores. "We all came in knowing it would be difficult because we had such a young team, but we worked really well together," freshman Monica Marlowe said. "It took us a while at the beginning of the season to get used to playing with each other, but once that happened we started winning."

The team forgot the early losses as they stretched into a 12-game winning streak.

"We started working together and talking a lot more on the court," freshman Ashley Patey said. "At that point in time, our personal relations had come together."

Their streak included a 3-0 win over the perennial MIAA champion, Central Missouri State University, which snapped a 43-game conference winning streak for the Jennies.

"That game was the highlight of our season," junior Janelle Zehr said. "We were on fire that night. I think any team would've had a hard time beating us."

The women's win over CMSU and their 19-6 record put the team in position to make a bid for post-season play, but they failed to make the national tournament.

"We were really disappointed [about those losses]," Patey said. "I think we were a little overconfident. I think the team just went mental."

Team members said they attributed their success to their camaraderie and their ability to work together. TRUMAN IN PROMAN TOWN TOWN TOWN TO THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT

V olleyball players huddle together to try to increase the team's motivation before the upcoming home game. This helped the women's team have a highly successful season with a 23-9 record overall and a 14-2 record in the MIAA Conference.

"One of the biggest challenges with any team is getting used to playing beside [your teammates] on the court," sophomore Jenny Glenn said. "We all have very different personalities, but we play well together."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

Sophomore Jenny Glenn gets into spiking position. Not only did she have 296 kills, she also defended the court with 283 digs. She had the highest number of kills, with 21 during the Emporia State game. Truman finished second in the MIAA conference. (photos by Mike Jorgensen)

Regret

Men's soccer team finds success in season that ends with early defeat in NCAA tournament

egret could be overwhelming in the world of sports. When a promising season ended abruptly, teams were left to wonder about the possibilities that could have happened if the season did not end.

Hypothetical questions surfaced many times for the members of the Truman State University men's soccer team during the off-season.

"Everyone was disappointed in the way the season ended because we had such high expectations," junior Mike Enright said. "[We set a goal] to win the national championship and we

> had a strong belief that [our goal] was definitely realistic."

> The team finished the regular season with a 15-4-1 record. They shut out their opponents 12 times, setting a new school record. Sophomore Matt Byers broke a 5-year-old University record by scoring 22 goals.

> "I think [setting the record] was more fun than important," Byers said. "Our goals were all team oriented, so that was just an extra bonus. Personally, it felt really good to set a record like that here at Truman, but it never really [factored] into our goals as a team."

> The University received a bid to the NCAA Division II tournament for the third consecutive year. They were the top seed in the Central Region and ranked seventh in the nation.

> In the first round, Truman's season ended with a 3-2 loss to Indiana University/ Purdue University, the Fort Wayne Mastodons, a team that made its first ever playoff

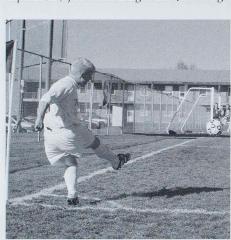
bid with a 17-2-2 record.

Despite its early end, team members and coaches said the 1999 season was successful.

"I think we benefit from all the games we play, even the losses," head coach Alf Bilboa said. "We've been successful [this year] and we've accomplished quite a few goals along the way. I've said this before; if we hadn't even made it to the post-season and ended up 15-4-1, I think we still would've had a very successful season."

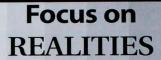
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runior Heine Anderson beats his opponent to the ball during a home soccer match. Anderson led the team with nine assists, ranking second amongst team members. The team hosted a first round NCAA tournament game and were defeated 3-2 by Indiana University/Purdue University-Fort Wayne. (photos by Tyson Meyer)

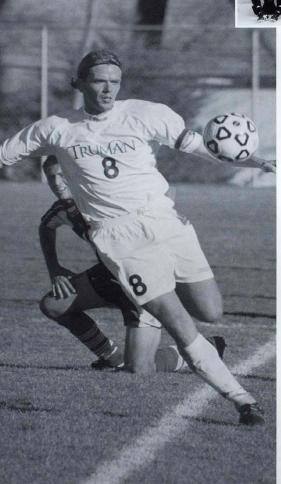


eading scorer Matt Byers puts the ball into play with a a corner kick, trying to lead the men's soccer team to a victory. Byers led the team in points and assists with a total of 22 goals and 10 assists. His aggressiveness was an essential element in leading the team to a 15-41 record and a spot in the NCAA Division II national tournament.









FRONT ROW: Jeremy Crenshaw, Justin Shew, Ryan Swan, Matt Byers, Jeremy Jackson, Sean Baldwin, Steve Wilhusen, Nick Garner. SECOND ROW: Matt Cox, Dan Newman, Mike Enright, Kory Fuller, Chris Rahe, Brian Werner, Jeff Locker. THIRD ROW: Brett Grego-student asst., David Manrique-student asst., T.J. Dube, Jim Blackburn, Alf Bilboa-head coach, Erin Connors-student trainer, David Wiebenga, Adam Johnson, Bryan Dafoe. BACK ROW: Jake Maier, Michael Zung, Lee Letourneau, Mike Roth, Josh Lowndes, Heine Anderson, David Salvatierra, Jake Sirna, Matt Gross.

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| WestTexas A&M | 3 | 0 |
| SouthernIndiana | 4 | 0 |
| St.Joseph's | 3 | 1 |
| Indianapolis | 3 | 0 |
| Rockhurst | 2 | 0 |
| Missouri-Southern | 3 | 0 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 2 | 3 |
| ColumbiaCollege | 2 | 1 |
| NorthernKentucky | 7 | 0 |
| Missouri-St.Louis | 4 | 1 |
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| Lincoln | 12 | 0 |
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Conference

MIAA conference championship does not help women's soccer team to tournament bid

he Truman State University women's soccer team played to aggressive levels by the end of the season, leaving its last nine opponents scoreless.

⚠ The team's 14.41 overall record (5-0 in its division) earned it the MIAA Conference Championship, but the NCAA did not grant them a bid in the 1999 Division II playoffs.

"It was hard for everyone because we had our hopes up and we really thought we would get a bid," sophomore Emily Huyck said. "When someone takes something away from you that you thought you had, it's disappointing."



Junior Niki Taylor tries to keep the ball away from her opponent and in her possession. Taylor utilized dribbling techniques in moving the ball down the field to stay on the offense and to score a goal. Taylor scored one goal and had five assists during the season.

The team had a 44 record at the end of its first month, and fans became doubtful of the team's success. Changes in line-up and attitude contributed to the team's survival.

"We tinkered with our line-up a little bit [after the slow start]," head coach Mike Cannon said.

Another important aspect of the team's strong finish and the players' hope for next season was the number of underclassmen on the team.

"We're a young team and we have a lot of new talent," freshman Anna Smith said. "[Next year] we're going to build on how we ended this season."

Players said the close bonds with one another on and off the field were a big reason for the team's successful finish.

"Our team chemistry is very unique," Huyck said. "I think that's where a lot of our success comes from. We have a lot of talent, but it takes more than talent

to make a team. You're not on the field playing for yourself, you're playing for people you're close to. That makes [being successful] much more important."

A win over Barry University, ranked fourth in its division, displayed the team's abilities and added gasoline to the fire surrounding the NCAA's decision to leave the University out of the tournament. Players reacted calmly to the decision with a simple rallying cry – wait until next season.

"Some of us are kind of upset, but we're proud of our season," junior Meredith Hartle said. "I think the fact that we came so close to making it to the playoffs will be a big factor next year. It makes us want it more."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

Team members approach the opposition hoping to divert any possible scoring. The Truman State University women's soccer team finished with a record of 5-0 in the MIAA Conference and 14 wins for the season. They attributed their success to teamwork, motivation and fan participation. (photos by Tyson Meyer)







FRONT ROW: Carrie Hegenderter, Jennifer Buscher, Stephanie Toczylowski, Emily Huyck, Melissa Miller, Meredith Hartle, Jessica Pohren. SECOND ROW: Becky Ojile, Laura Paul, Kelli Best, Nicole Thorpe, Jill Harlan, Vanessa Smith, Karla Danekas, Elizabeth Pulido. THIRD ROW: Angie Schuhler, Katy Brennell, Tracey Forim, Jocelyn Parisi-assistant coach, Mike Cannonhead coach, Michelle Boyd-trainer, Brooke Stephens, Jessica Cohenour, Joanna Hoag. BACK ROW: Missy Ell, Deidra Reasoner, Kelly Hritz, Niki Taylor, Kathleen Keller, Anna Smith, Anne Martineau, Heather Murray.

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| Missouri-St. Louis | 1 | 0 |
| Winona State | 1 | 0 |
| Nebraska-Omaha | 2 | 1 |
| St. Cloud State | 2 | 0 |
| Southern Indiana | 1 | 0 |
| St. Joseph's | 1 | 1 |
| Lewis | 3 | 0 |
| Rockhurst | 4 | 0 |
| Missouri-Southern | 6 | 0 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 1 | 0 |
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| Florida Southern | 4 | 0 |
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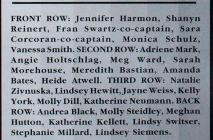
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| Louisiana State | | |
| University | 35 | 3 |
| University of Nebraska | 15 | 12 |
| Kansas City Sirens | 23 | 15 |
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2000 Awards

Best Back - Shanyn Reinert Best Forward - Fran Swartz Spirit Award - Jen Harmon Most Improved - Elissa Wiles MVP - Sara Corcoran Best Rookie - Jen Altis







The young Bullets Rugby competed against other teams that consisted of more experienced players.

This only a handful of experienced players, the Bullets Rugby team faced an uphill battle for the spring season. An imposing schedule against larger, more accomplished teams further complicated the task of developing into a competitive team.

Teaching players a completely new sport, no matter how intricate, had its challenges. Rugby was a sport that most of the women had never been exposed to or played.

"It's hard when you have mostly rookies because you have to start all the way over again,"

said senior Sara Corcoran, Bullets head coach and co-captain. "Luckily I have a lot of help coaching from the officers and other experienced players."

The new players learned the game more quickly while playing.

"The older players set the pace," Corcoran said. "If we slow down and try to teach them everything, then they learn at a slow pace. But if we build on everything and start from the ground up and do it at a fast enough pace where they don't get confused but where they'll just catch on as they play more, they learn faster."

Having real game experiences during practice was ideal, but Corcoran said giving players real game situations in practice was almost impossible because of the limited numbers of players.

"Rugby's such a contact sport and it's so technical," Corcoran said. "If you do it correctly you won't get hurt. You A ttempting to advance the ball, senior Andrea (A.J.) Black sidesteps her opponents. Playing a contact sport with

A tiempung to advance the ball, senior Andrea (AJ.) black sidesteps her opponents. Playing a contact sport with no padding, rugby players often brought home trophy bruises that showed how hard they had played the previ-

almost have to do it wrong for the first three games because nothing we can do can prepare them for it. Getting the technical stuff down is the hardest. There's so many parts to the game that it takes a while to learn each piece of the game, let alone the team concepts."

Rugby was a sport that required high mental concentration.

"It's a team effort," Smith said. "Rugby is 99 percent mental and one percent physical."

By Michael Niemietz

ooking to score, junior Fran Scwartz gets the ball from the back of the ruck. The purpose of the ruck was to push the other team away from the ball so that a fellow team member could retrieve it. As one of the Bullets' co-captains, Scwartz was a stong leader on the field and helped coach new players. (photos by Robin Perrtree)

Winning

Men's roller hockey team stays at the top of their game while competing against Division I schools

Playing with conviction and determination, the men's roller hockey team gained experience and success throughout the season. Having finished first in the region since entering the division, the team kept up its continued success. The rigorous schedule of traveling at least three hours to the games and then playing three to four games in a weekend did not stop the team.

"Most of our games are in St. Louis," sophomore Ben Ferguson said. "Once or twice a month all the teams in the division meet in a central location and play about a total [of] 20 games

throughout the weekend."

Roller hockey members face off for the puck during game. The team completed early-season league play undefeated, with a record of 18-0-1. The A-team's level of competition was raised when they often faced big name schools, such as Michigan State University, University of Colorado and Illinois State University.

The roller hockey team held one of the best records of any sports team on campus, and finished with an early-season league record of 18-0-1. This was built of the momentum of finishing fifth at the national tournament in 1999. The men also took second in the Elite Series Tournament in St. Louis. The team traveled to Ellington, Fla., and competed in the national tournament.

Getting to the top and staying there was not always easy.

"Everyone wants to beat us," junior Ed O'Toole said. "We've been the team to beat for the past five years. They are gunning for us so that makes it tougher."

Teams in the men's division included University of Missouri-Rolla, University of Missouri-Columbia, Kansas State University and University of Kansas. The men also competed against Purdue University, Michigan State University and University of California-Santa Barbara.

Playing top-name schools was a

source of motivation for the team.

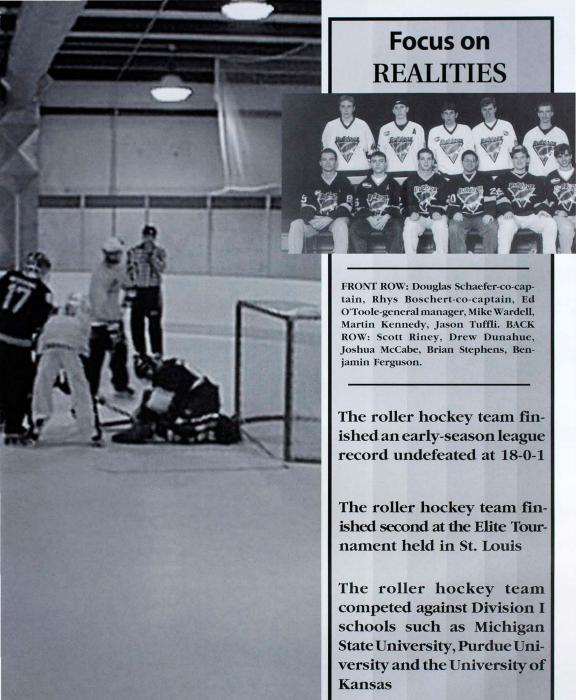
"We get really motivated for games against bigger schools," O'Toole said. "Drawing from just 6,100 students, we are able to beat schools like Michigan that are located in hockey hotbeds and can draw from a pool of over 40,000 students."

The B squad also dominated its division and defeated teams from across the country. The B team finished its season with a winning record.

By Stephanie Brenneke

Defending the goal, junior Marty Kennedy tries to block a shot made by an opponent. Kennedy won the Goalie Excellence Award at the Elite Series Tournament by having the best save percentage for the tournament. (photos submitted)





Student trainers spent a minimum of 1,500 hours working with their sports teams during home and away games and practices

Football had the most trainers with 6-8 students

Trainers could not participate in any varsity athletic sport

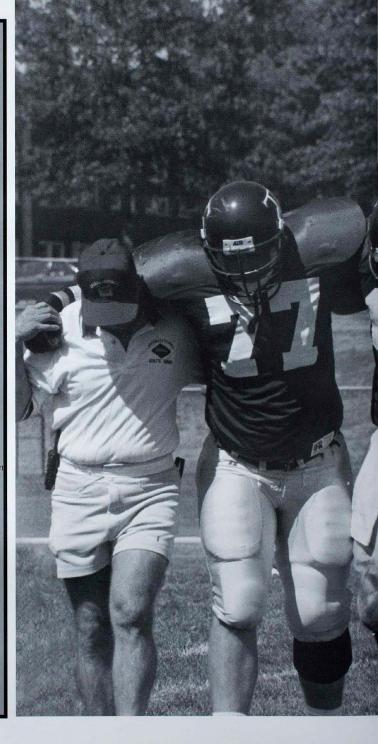
Working with soccer and wrestling were the most difficult sports for the trainers

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"Withoutthem wewouldn'tbe able to get through the year."

John Cochrane, women's track and cross country coach





Fineto

Athletic trainers receive little praise for long hours on the job

thletes trained and practiced to be the best at what they did, but they could not do this without the help of two groups: their coaches and their student athletic trainers.

Trainers not only worked directly with the athletes on a day-to-day basis. They also worked behind the scenes to prepare these athletes for games and practices.

Trainers went to all of the games and practices. They arrived early and stayed after until they treated injured players. Trainers also took certain classes and worked a minimum of 1,500 hours with sports teams to be an athletic trainer.

"Trainers in this program have no problems getting the required hours because we spend a lot of time in the training room," senior Jeremy Clipperton said.

Clipperton, in his fifth year, worked about 3,500 hours. He participated in the football camp for five years and logged about 150 hours at each camp.

Trainers worked their way up to the more challenging sports like soccer or wrestling. Trainers usually had at least three years of experience before taking on these high-contact sports. Inexperienced trainers usually started their training with the football team.

"[This was because] they do things that don't involve crucial thinking," senior Melissa Hargrave said.

Football trainers arrived an hour and a half before practices or games to tape the

feet of about 100 players. There were six to eight trainers because there were so many football players. After the football season was over, the newer trainers next assignment involved "calm" sports such as golf or tennis.

Trainers often switched their sports every year to gain experience. Hargrave worked with the football, softball, swimming, women's track and cross country teams and the wrestling team.

Trainers could not participate in sports because of the amount of time spent being a trainer.

"You do have to choose between being an athlete and a trainer," Clipperton said.



Senior Jeremy Clipperton gives offensive guard Brian Set therashot. Clipperton took several minutes of preperation time in order to properly locate the vein. Student athletic trainers offered treatment such as providing and wrapping ice bags for injured body parts on a daily basis. (photo by Tinia Gray)

By Carey Michenfelder

Head trainer Clint Thompson and freshman Nick Ruud carry Ben Gray off the field after an injury during a game against Missouri Western University. Thompson worked with all of the student athletic trainers to allow them to experience hands on work with the athletes. Along with completing many hours of volunteer work, student trainers also had to take classes such as Theraputic Modalities and Training Room Management. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)





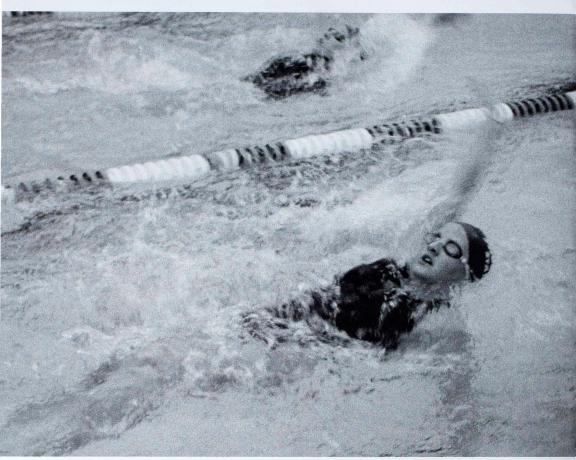
even know we had a swim program, but now people are paying attention to what we are and what we're going to become."

The men's and women's teams set school records by finishing ninth and third in the gave the team and me a lot of confidence, as well as adding an intimidation factor for our opponents."

The swim teams gave their competition reason to fear them. The women went undefeated during the first half of nationalsl in Omaha, Nebraska we weren't as fast as we could've been, so I think we've got quite a bit left in us."

Huston used a strategy known as tapering for extremely important meets. Huston pushed the

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FRONT ROW: Dan Lopez, Andy Ladrow, Kevin Punswick, Josh Devine, John Kretz, Ryan McCord, Pat Owens. SECOND ROW: Josh Diehl, Justin Nakamurua, Jay Westensee, Mike Hoskovec, Evan Elwood, Matt Pray. BACK ROW: Kyle Sterup, Pete Koenig, Matt Gervase, Jeff Abernathy, Steve De La Piedra, Chris Cole, Spencer Gillis.



FRONT ROW: Sarah Reid, Michelle Stolin, Sonya Burgers, Angie, Jen Malone, Nicole Italiano, Robin Owens, Ellen Frick, Erica Sparks. SECOND ROW: Jess Martin, Kacie Rice, Brooke Howard, Bethany Jost, Amanda Shearer, Kelli Dudley, Diana Young, Liz Hug. THIRD ROW: Jenny Dobratz, Tory Foster, Jill Myers, Rebecca Wagner, Tracy Baiotto, Angie Walker, Christine Gould, Beth Joslin, Bridget Riley. BACK ROW: Michelle Seck, Andrea Newton, Jenny Vogt, Christie Williamsen, Bryna Busch, Beth Lejowski, Sasha Trendley, Meghan Osborn, Sara Hatcher.



Sophomore Bethany Jost qualifies for the NCAA Division II Championships with a time of 4:49.48 in the 400-meter Individual Medley race. Jost was named an All-American swimmer and placed sixth in the 200-meter Medley Relay. Fourteen women and four men qualified for the national championships in Buffalo, N.Y. (photo by Tinia Gray)

Afloat

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athletes hard through much of the season with twice-a-day practices and intense physical conditioning programs. In the weeks preceding a meet, the practice schedule was drastically lightened.

"I think a lot of people get excited as they [approach] their taper meet," senior Mike Hoskovec said. "Through the season, swimmers get an idea of how they're doing relative to other years,

but they don't swim their best times until the meet they set out to shave for and rest for."

For the women, the taper meet was the national championship in Buffalo, N.Y. The men's taper meet was the Central States Championships in Springfield, Mo.

"I'm just going to lay it all on the line at Central States and if I qualify [for nationals] individually or in a relay, more power to me," senior Peter Koenig said.

The men's relationship with their female counterparts had been bittersweet over the past few years. The men's team agreed that the women's team was a supportive travel and practice partner. The progress made by the men's swimming program, however, was largely overshadowed by the women's turn-around.

"One of our goals this season was to find our own identity as a guys' team," Koenig said. "Being able to train with them has helped us out a lot and we're always there to cheer them on, but we'd also like to be known as the Truman State men's swim team and not just Truman Swimming."

Many swimmers believed that mental preparation for an important race made the difference between winning and losing.

"Every team across the nation swims two to

four hours a day, so everyone's going to be fairly equal physically," Koenig said. "We trust [Huston] to put us among the most physically fit teams in the nation, but visualization and [simulated] race situations help a lot. When you get to a big match, you've got to be focused on putting your best effort out."

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| Bulldog Inv. | 1of3 | 1 of 6 | |
| NE-Omaha | 1of4 | 1 of 4 | |
| Tampa Relays | 131-74 | 150-45 | |
| Delta State | 1of5 | 1 of 5 | |
| Bradley Inv. | 1of5 | 1 of 5 | |
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ard work, self-sacrifice and will power were just a few essential components of a wrestler's character.

Not only was wrestling exhausting, it was demanding and time-consuming. Wrestlers worked out constantly, both on their own and as a team, to prepare for matches and to maintain a specific weight.

"It is just like a high-pressure job because you are always tired and you need to focus to be better," junior Erik Simms said.

From an outside perspective, wrestling was a sport that relied on teamwork to earn points. In reality, winning depended on the wrestler himself. Not only was it one man against another for six minutes, but also each member was responsible for training on his own.

"There isn't a team telling you to get out of bed every day," senior Chris Brown said. "You have to make the decision yourself to go lift weights, run and control your diet."

The wrestlers did encourage their teammates in practices and matches, but each wrestler had his own goals to try to meet.

"I love the one-on-one aspect of wrestling," junior Tony Spiker said. "It is me versus one other guy, and if I want it bad enough, all I have to do is take it."

Dedication was the key to handling the demands of intense workouts, strict diets and mental fatigue.

"It takes a person who absolutely refuses to break, refuses to quit and refuses to acknowledge that there is someone out there better than him," Spiker said.

Wrestling was not a sport that ended when the season was over. Unlike some athletes who escaped from the demands of their sport and enjoyed their summer vacations, wrestlers had to condition themselves all year round.

Simm's summer consisted of drinking SlimFast, running and lifting weights. Other wrestlers stayed in town and worked out together.

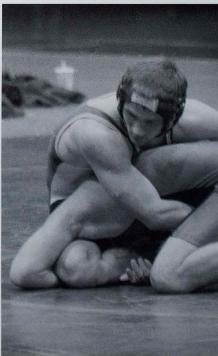
"A wrestler is someone who will go running at midnight while their friends are out partying," Brown said. "There is not tomorrow for a wrestler."

By Carey Michenfelder

Single_{Heart}

Senior Chris Brown wrestles a competitor from Central College (Iowa). Truman State University wrestlers utilized their practice time to lift weights, run and practice holds.







he referee prepares to call the pin in a match between Truman State University and Central College (Iowa). Wrestlers aimed to pin their opponents and gain points for their team. Wrestlers put much practice and focus into the six minutes alloted for each physically, emotionally and mentally draining match. (photos by Eliza-

Focus On Realities

Minnesota State Univ. - L 12-31

South Dakota State Open Coe College - Individual meet

Central College - L 19-21

Wisconsin Open

- Individual meet MacMurray College Inv. SIU-Edwardsville

- 3rd/7 teams Lindenwood College

- L 24-25

Sunshine Open Champ. MacMurray College - 13th/22 teams

Univ. of Pittsburg- NCAA Midwest Reg. **Johnstown**

- L 3-42

Univ. of Shippensburg - L 1-3

Central College Inv.

- Individual meet

- W 26-18

Univ. of Central Okla.

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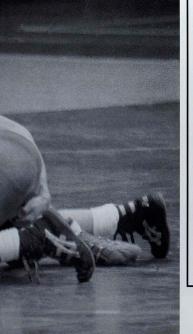
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- W 26-17

- 6th/9 teams

NCAA Div. II Champ. - 24th/33 teams





Brown, Brad Kieffer, Wes Edwin, Kelley Latting, Corey Crandall, Seth Tomassi. BACK ROW: Calvin Buhler-assistant coach, Bo Rinehart, Tony Spiker, Erich Todd, Don Cummings, Chris Benner, Erik Simms, Marc Heinecke, Brian Jovick, Melissa Hargravestudent trainer.

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| Monmouth | 86 | 69 |
| Ashland | 93 | 90 |
| Nebraska-Omaha | 76 | 58 |
| Drury | 76 | 85 |
| Washburn | 78 | 73 |
| Central Missouri State | 76 | 80 |
| Missouri Southern | 65 | 73 |
| Missouri Western | 75 | 73 |
| Southwest Baptist | 71 | 61 |
| NW Missouri State | 70 | 80 |
| Emporia State | 73 | 76 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 73 | 65 |
| Pittsburg State | 58 | 74 |
| Washburn | 48 | 70 |
| Central Missouri State | 77 | 68 |
| Missouri Southern | 62 | 68 |
| Missouri Western | 57 | 96 |
| Southwest Baptist | 99 | 76 |
| NW Missouri State | 62 | 63 |
| Emporia State | 84 | 64 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 69 | 62 |
| Pittsburg State | 86 | 64 |
| MIAA Tournament | 61 | 72 |
| NW Missouri State | | |

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FRONT ROW: Cory Parker, Jason Ramthun, Kyle Eagan, Andy Guethle, Bill Farr, Nathan Owen, A.J. Crum, Mike Peterson, Peter Aydt, Jason Reinberg. BACK ROW: Jason Ward, Brian Brown, Jiri Mikl, Kevin Eulinger-student trainer, Josh Thomas-student trainer, Jack Schraderhead coach, John Sloop-assistant coach, Clint Thompson-head trainer, Dustin Bruner, Dan Mailath, Eric Wade.





Moving Forward

Four captains help lead the way by focusing on one game at a time

any people were taken by surprise when the men's basketball team went to the Division II Elite Eight in 1999. With that success looming over their heads, the team fought to escape from showering pressures. With many returning starters, the team was expected to do as well, if not better.

"We did return a lot of players, but we also lost two very good seniors in Spencer Douglas and Chris Foulk," junior Brian Brown said. "So we will be looking for people to step up every night."

At the beginning of the season, many coaches construct a set of goals to be accomplished. Head coach Jack Schrader took a different approach. He tackled problems as they appeared

instead of focusing on long-term goals. Each day he made up a practice plan for what needed to be worked on.

"If your goal is to get better, you've got to figure out what you're trying to do and how you want to do it," Schrader said.

While the team worked toward winning, the process was not simple. They struggled to improve their weak spots and lack of communication on the court.

"Sometimes on offense or defense we have lapses and it is because we are not communicating," Brown said.

Despite their weaknesses, many leaders emerged as Schrader appointed four captains to share the leadership roles.

"It was a natural fit," Schrader said.
"[Appointing] all four of them as opposed to having two."

Seniors Cory Parker, Jason Reinberg, Jason Ramthun and Andy Guethle were distinctly different on and off the court. Schrader chose them because he knew what to expect from them.

"We have all been around basketball a long time and have been involved in leading our teams, whether it was in high school or [college]," Guethle said.

One of the captains' responsibilities was to keep the players' minds on what mattered. Although the 1998-99 season's was something to be proud of, the team needed to turn the page and start over.

"We are not concerned about other peoples' expectations," Guethle said. "We are only concerned about how we play."

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unior guard Mike Peterson looks to pass around a player from Central Missouri State University. Peterson made 11 points and two assists in the game against CMSU, helping his team achieve a 77-68 victory after previously losing 76-80 at CMSU.

By Carey Michenfelder

unior Mike Peterson drives to the basket for a layup against Central Missouri State University. The men's basketball team finished the season seventh out of ten in the conference. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

Goals

Women's basketball raised its performance in hope for a chance at post-play action

he Truman State University women's basketball team had high goals and strong determination during its 1999-2000 season.

The 12-player team, headed by coach Karin Nicholls and assistant coach Carol Russell, spent its season working hard to prepare for the MIAA championship.

"We're picked to finish second in the league for conference, and I think we're right on track to win the MIAA championship," Nicholls said.

The women had a clear idea of what they wanted to accomplish for the season.

"Our main goal is to win the MIAA championship," junior Wendi Sobaski said. "We

would also like to make it into the Elite Eight Tournament. Last year we made

it to the Sweet Sixteen."

Senior Stacey Roth had high hopes also.
"We've come through some rough

spots, but we're looking to pull together as a team, do well in conference and hopefully get a bid in the NCAA tournament." Roth said.

The women played many challenging teams within their conference, but proved to be at the top of their game with a first ever win over Central Missouri State and a victory over Southwest Baptist University, giving SBU

their first league loss.

"We played a really important game against SBU," senior Jennifer Happel said. "We were tied for conference, and the win against them was very pivotal."

The team owed their success to hard working individuals who worked well together as a team.

"In my three years this is the

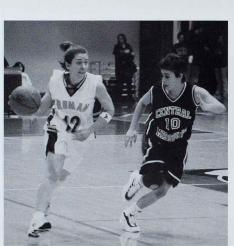
closest team we've had," junior Kelli Kreuser said. "We've been up against a lot of adversity and it has made us a really close-knit team."

In addition to working well as a team, the women had other strengths.

"One of our main strengths is our desire to want to be a better team after every game, and to up the level of play each time we step on the floor," Happel said. "It's been a really good year, and we've expected a lot more out of ourselves than in the past. We're looking at the big picture, and taking it one game at a time."

By Ginny Windels

F reshman Jennifer Fisher tries to pass against a Central Missouri State University opponent. The women's team strove toward making the Elite Eight Tournament for NCAA Division II. The women finished fourth in the conference and clinched home court advantage for the first round of the conference tournament. (photos by Josh Adams)



S enior Stacy Roth pushes the ball down the court past Central Missouri State University's Molly Knobbe. The women lost to CMSU, 68-72, after beating them earlier in the season in Warrensburg, 72-70.





FRONT ROW: Mollie Kahn, Megan Kahn, Robyn Gerber, Wendi Sobaski, Stacey Roth, April Warren-Grice, Jeannine Doughty, Kelly Olmstead. BACK ROW: Jennifer Fisher, Jennifer Happel, Kelli Kreuser, Kim West-manager, Michelle Boydassistant head trainer, Karin Nicholls-head coach, Carol Russell-assistant coach, Ali Fuist-manager, Jennifer Perkins, Lisa Bryan.

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| Lincoln | 82 | 41 |
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| Southern Indiana | 78 | 82 |
| Rollins | 77 | 84 |
| Washburn | 63 | 60 |
| Central Missouri State | 72 | 70 |
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| Missouri Western | 59 | 62 |
| Southwest Baptist | 77 | 70 |
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| Emporia State | 72 | 108 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 86 | 53 |
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| Emporia State | 75 | 72 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 66 | 59 |
| Pittsburg State | 78 | 63 |
| MIAA Tournament Southwest Baptist | 62 | 71 |

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The women's soccer team at tempts to get the ball down field during a regular season game. These women, like all University athletes, needed time management skills. The average GPA of athletes was higher than the average GPA of all Truman State University students, even with the 20 hours of practice a week that was necessary for most sports. (photo by Tina Patel)

The week's agenda included tests, papers, oral presentations, mandatory activity meetings, a three-hour drive home, parties, games and 20 hours of practice.

The already busy schedule of the average student was almost doubled for athletes, leaving them with airtight schedules.

Jerry Wollmering, director of athletics, said that playing a sport was not detrimental to a student's education.

"To the contrary, I think sports have a positive effect," Wollmering said. "It helps provide leadership opportunities for them, and I think it's proven that student athletes do better in the classroom."

The numbers supported Wollmering's claim. In the

spring semester of 1999, the average GPA among the University's 6,200 undergraduates was 3.03, while the 450 athletes averaged a 3.15 GPA.

"It is hard, but you just have to sacrifice other things for lyour sport]," sophomore Andrew Doering, cross country team member, said.

Other athletes said that there was little life outside of sports and homework.

"When you're in a sport that practices as much as we do, you

just have to discipline yourself, make the commitment and set your priorities straight," senior Mollie Kahn, women's basketball team member, said.

Athletes had to account for travel time in addition to working around practices and games. Away games often forced athletes to miss their late classes.

"Most professors are very understanding about it," senior Chris Benner, wrestling team member, said.

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By Andrew Ashbaugh



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Practice times also affected the athletes. Some athletes said that they had disrupted sleeping patterns because they usually practiced between 5 a.m. and 7 a.m.

Gender Reality

Truman had the most sports teams in NCAA Division II with 21

Male * 334 athletes

Female * 197 athletes

* Received approximately \$500,000 in fullride scholarships

* Received approximately \$300,000 in fullride scholarships

* Football received the received the most money with \$307,273

* Basketball most money with \$91,750

(from the Truman State Athletic Department)

"It's tough to get up every day during the week and practice at six in the morning," Kahn said. "I always have to make time for a nap during the day or it would be very difficult."

Most athletes said that waking up for earlymorning practices drained more energy from their bodies than the physical conditioning drills during practices.

"We get in pretty good shape, so we get used to [the drills]," Benner said. "I don't really get too tired anymore from practice. But we practice from six to seven in the morning on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and that can wear you down."

Most athletes said that the key to juggling solid grades with an athletic schedule was in time management skills.

"It's not too bad," senior Brad Kieffer, wrestling team member, said. "It's just like having a job. You have to know what you need to get done, get to it at night and don't waste any time."

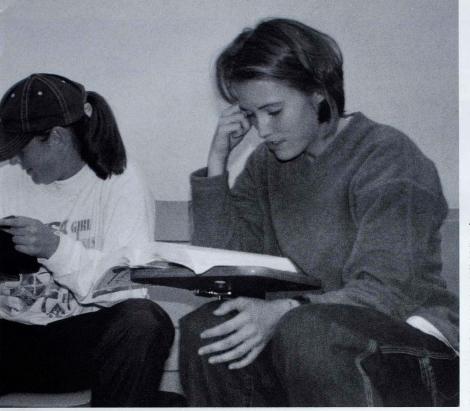
Athletes said that athletics were worth the high price students paid to play them despite all they had to sacrifice.

"It's definitely worth it," senior Megan Kahn, women's basketball team member, said. "Just

being part of a team like ours is unbelievable. Our team is really close, one of the closest teams you'll probably ever find. For us all to work so hard together towards one goal and to see it pay off in the end is just a great feeling."

unior psychology major Betsy Driskill studies in Pickler Memorial Library. Driskill was also a member of the women's golf team. With away tournaments scheduled throughout the season, players missed classes continuously. It was important for athletes to prepare work ahead of time to remain caught up in their studies. (photo by Tinia Gray)





Tennis player Jessica McKinney and soccer player Laura Paul work together on class work. Besides participating in varsity athletics, they were required to maintain at least 15 hours a semester and keep a minimum GPA of 2.0 to keep their athletic scholarships. In 1999, football players received the most money for scholarships with \$307,273. (photo by Tinia Gray)





Tennis player Betsy Driskill practices for the season at the University's tennis courts. Many teams had rigorous practice schedules. Some schedules included practicing twice a day for a period of three hours at one time. Pre-season workouts and practices helped teams prepare for their upcoming seasons. (photo by Tina Patel)

 $R^{
m einstating}$ a former coach gave the men's golf team a whole new perspective on the sport.

Tom Drennan coached the Truman State University's men's team from 1993 until 1995. He took a few years off to focus on his job as head professional at the Kirksville Country Club but returned to take the place of former coach Keith Peck.

Drennan handled his coaching approach a little differently than he did during his previous coaching seasons, and players said that the work paid off.

"He's 500 percent better," junior Rick Ewing said. "He makes golf more fun."

Drennan gave underclassmen a chance to tee off from the green. In previous seasons, only seniors could play. Team members said that this policy benefited the team as a whole.

"It allows us to have our five best players out there instead of just the oldest," Ewing said.

Drennan worked closely with his assistant coach, alumnus Brian Daniels, and members of the team said their relationship made things run smoothly.

"Having played with a majority of the team, he knows our individual style and can relate to us better," junior Kenny Lewis said.

The system between the coaches worked well.

"The coaching is a group effort," Ewing said. "Brian does most of the coaching part while Tom is more administrative."

The coaches split the travel time. Each coach attended half of the away games with the team.

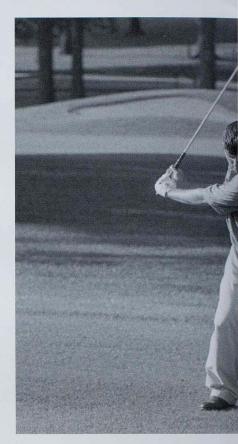
Members said that the team's attitude was generally relaxed. There was no set practice schedule for the team, but Drennan advised his players to practice one and a half hours a day.

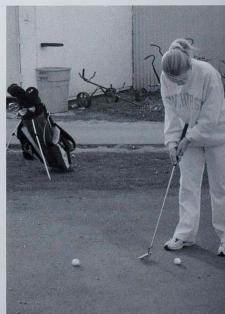
"It's a more laid back atmosphere which makes it more fun," Ewing said.

By Tom Palmier

A NEW Perspective

Eying up her shot, junior Leslie Miles practices her putt.
The golf team had no specified practice time, but each player was required to practice before each meet. The top six scorers from the qualification rounds got to compete in tournaments. (photo by Jeremy Early)







Tunior Rick Ewing hits an approach shot at the 5th hole during the Drury Classic

Tournament in Springfield, Mo. The men's golf team placed 13th of 21 teams participating in the tournament. Ewing ranked second of the five players for Truman State University. (photo submitted)

The End Result

Women
Mt. Mercy
- 1st/12 teams

Grinnell
- tied 1st/7
teams

Univ. of MN -11th/11 teams

Knox College -1st/9 teams St. Ambrose

Tournament - 2nd/8 teams NE Wesleyan

- 3rd/8 teams John Logan

-1st/5 teams Rockhurst

- 1st/6 teams MO-Kansas City Men Univ. of Missouri-Rolla

- 8th/12 teams District 5 North-Minnesota

- tied 7th/18 teams Truman Fall

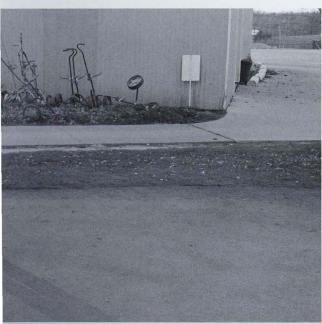
Truman Fall Classic - 8th/12 teams

(Truman I)
- 10th/12 teams

(Truman II) Crossroads of America Invitational

- 7th/9 teams Comfort Inn North/Drury Classic

- 13th/21 teams

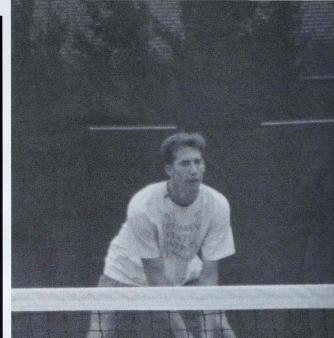


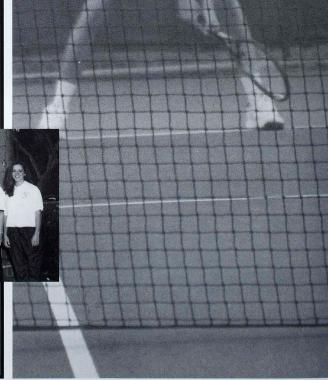
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| Central Oklahoma | . 1 | 8 |
| Cameron (Okla.) | 1 | 8 |
| Northeastern State | 1 | 8 |
| NW Missouri State | 0 | 9 |
| Southwest Baptist | 3 | 6 |
| Univ. of Indianapo | olis 1 | 8 |
| Quincy | 9 | 0 |
| Emporia State | 9 | 0 |
| Missouri-Rolla | 8 | 1 |
| Missouri-St. Louis | 5 | 2 |
| SIU-Edwardsville | 8 | 0 |
| Washburn (Kan.) | 5 | 2 |
| Central (Iowa) | 5 | 4 |
| Baker (Kan.) | 8 | 1 |
| Rockhurst | 5 | 4 |
| MIAA Tournament | Thi | rd Place |
| NCAA Regionals | 0 | 5 |

FINAL 10-8-0



FRONT ROW: Pete Kendall-head coach, David Maginness, Adam Rees, George Kidera, Andrew Hellner, Cindi Lanners-student trainer, Amanda Krenz-assistant coach. BACK ROW: Nathan Artz, Ben Askew, Allan Atkins, Erich Podzinski, Justin Menolascino.







Sharing a coach brings the men's and women's teams together

The men's tennis team often times had to play with the women's team, but they wanted to let everyone know that they were not a coed team. However, it did give them a chance to build the tennis program overall.

"I think we all get along really well," sophomore Andrew Hellner said. "Everybody kind of has their own group of friends, but we sometimes do things together."

Kendall said players from other teams who only represent the men or women of a particular school somewhat envy schools like Truman State University which have men's and women's teams.

"It's a bigger group and there are more people cheering for them," Kendall said. "They really have fun on road trips."

The reason for being grouped together was fairly simple and logical.

"The reason I think we are grouped together as one team is because there is one coach." Kendall said.

Kendall said the men's and women's swim teams had the same situation – one coach. Seth Huston.

Traveling with the teams both together and separately was hard and troubling, Kendall said.

"I think the only [negative] thing is my time," Kendall said. "For example one weekend I might be with the women and one weekend with the men. It would be different if I was only coaching one team."

The teams rarely practiced separately due to space limitations or a large

number of players, Kendall said. Although the teams practiced at the same time, they did not really practice together.

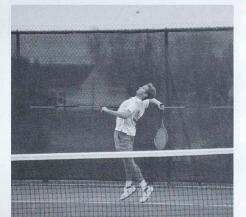
"It's usually guys hitting to guys," freshman George Kidera said.

Kidera said the teams got along fine with each other even when one team did better than the other.

"It really doesn't matter," Kidera said. "If they're doing well, that is great. If we're doing worse than the girls, we don't get mad about it."

By Megan Watson

Junior Nathan Artz anticipates the serve by a Southwest Baptist University player. The men's tennis team shared both its coach and court time with the women's tennis team. The men finished the season with a record of 76-77. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)



Sophomore Erich Podzinski takes aim at the approaching tennis ball during a home match against Southwest Baptist University (Boliver). Focus and concentration were required to be successful in tennis matches.

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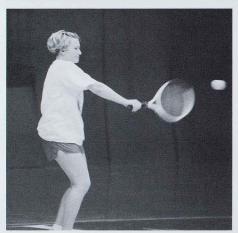
Players from different nations came together adding depth to the team

Thile the newcomers made up more than half of the roster for the women's tennis team, the team was ranked seventh out of 19 teams in the Midwest, with freshman Allison Schuller ranked as No. 24 in singles.

The team based its strength on each individual's strength.

"We have a lot of depth," Schuller said. "This means there is not a lot of difference in the level of each player."

The team also consisted of foreign students. Junior Olesya Paramonova was from



unior Olesya Paramonova returns the ball with a back hand hit during practice. Paramonova, a foreign student from Kazakhastan, was perceived by her teammates as always giving 100 percent. She had a 3-1 singles record and a 7-2 doubles record with teammate Junior Lindsey Junior Olesya Paramonova was from Kazakhastan and sophomore Lisa Graham came from Canada.

"She [Paramonova] is definitely the epitome of a Bulldog," Graham said. "She is just an awesome person, always smiling, giving 100 percent and [giving] encouraging words. You just have got to love that accent."

Paramonova credited the whole team for being unique.

"Every single member of the team is different," Paramonova said. "We are all fun outside of the court and work hard on the court."

One source of fun was the occasional treats from the players' parents. Sophomore Jessica McKinney's mom brought various edibles to the matches, Paramonova said. This also helped make the long bus rides a little more enjoyable.

Dedication, motivation and hard work was required to succeed. Players had to be willing to continually work on im-

proving their strengths and weaknesses. Once players knew what they were good at, they could then focus on what needed improving.

Graham said her strength was her forehand, while Paramonova said her strength was her footwork. By working together, teammates improved the overall quality of the team.

"What I would try to improve [is] helping each other with strokes during practices," Paramonova said.

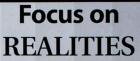
Players worked together as a team to play as a team.

"The sense of a team has to exist," Schuller said. "If you don't act like a team, then you can't be a team."

By Carey Michenfelder

Women's tennis team member Olesya Paramonaova serves during a fall season game. Competing in the fall season allowed players to gain experience and extra practice. (photos by Mike Jorgensen)







FRONT ROW: Pete Kendall-head coach, Lindsey Daniels, Jessica McKinney, Amanda Black, Allison Schuller, Michelle Bambenek, Shannon Hellner, Amanda Krenz-assistant coach. BACK ROW: Meghan Konrad, Lisa Graham, Adri Atwell, Olesya Paramonova, Cindi Lanners-student trainer.

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| Central Oklahoma | 5 | 4 |
| Cameron (Okla.) | 5 | 4 |
| NW Missouri State | 8 | 1 |
| Missouri Southern | 7 | 2 |
| Lincoln | 7 | 2 |
| Missouri Western | 7 | 0 |
| Quincy | 9 | 0 |
| Southwest Baptist | 9 | 0 |
| Washburn (Kansas) | 4 | 4 |
| Emporia State | 9 | 0 |
| Lincoln | 6 | 3 |
| SIU-Edwardsville | 5 | 2 |
| Baker (Kan.) | 9 | 0 |
| Rockhurst | 6 | 3 |
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| NCAA Regionals | 2 | 5 |

FINAL 15-3-3

Focus on REALITIES

The women's lacrosse team belonged to the Women's Collegiate Lacrosse League

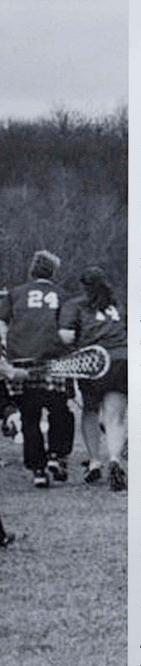
The women's lacrosse team had to compete against bigger schools such as the University of Kansas and the University of Illinois

Captains

Lindsay Bilhorn Jocelyn Diehl Cathy Liang Jodie Kuhn Jessica Post







Interest

Lacrosse members gain recognition after attaining league status

the women's lacrosse team started four years ago when a group of women began to practice the game. The second year contained more intense practices and some games against schools close to Kirksville. The next year the team joined a league, and women's lacrosse grew from an obscure organization to an established team by 1999.

Although they were an established team, confusion about what lacrosse actually was ran high.

"Some people were confused and thought we were carrying around butterfly catchers or [that we] play[ed] cricket," sophomore Cathy Liang said.

Belonging to the Women's Collegiate Lacrosse League created a more organized team.

"[Being part of the league is] good for us," junior captain Jocelyn Diehl said. "They help us set up games and they give us referees."

The League required the team to play at least seven games to remain a member.

"We have to play four ranked teams, and that's kind of a big deal for us," Diehl said.

As the team became more organized, being a member began to require a major time commitment. Women's lacrosse members practiced as often as possible. When the weather was nice they practiced outside. During the winter they practiced three days a week in the Student Recreation Center.

Since the team was considered a club by the University, members held weekly meetings, payed dues and had an executive board. Players used meetings as a time to organize trips and plan fundraising activities for uniforms and away games.



acrosse team members run drills in the Student Recreation Center. The team spent a lot of time practicing and perfecting passing techniques. The inside practices were especially useful when weather prevented outdoor practices. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

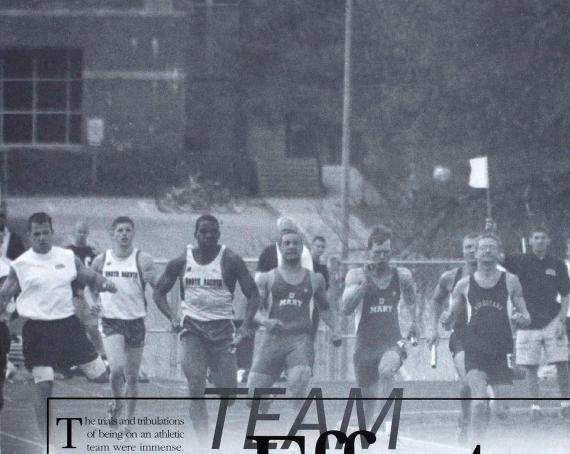
Team members were pleased with the progress they made.

"Our main goal is to have an organization that keeps improving and growing," Kuhn said. "It amazes me how big the interest is and how much dedication there is at the school. We felt proud because our team has taught itself and we are doing good and actually winning."

By Megan Delaney

Truman State University women's lacrosse members run down the field during a recent game against the University of Illinois. Since lacrosse was a club sport and no division separations existed, the women had to play against much bigger schools that were normally placed in Division I. (photo submitted)





Injuries, victories and harsh conditions flourished throughout the season.

Some thought a sport like track and field was not a team sport or that it was easier than other sports. Track and field was actually one of the most diverse sports. It took a variety of talents and training for athletes to successfully accomplish their goals. Demanding skills included pole vaulting, sprinting and discus throwing.

Members said track was both an individual and a team sport. It was the combined effort of individual athletes that contributed to team wins.

Track and field athletes each had different workouts. Sprint-

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ers ran up to 30 miles each week while distance runners ran 70 to 80 miles. Events like long jump and shot put did not require much running - the athletes focused on weight and strength training. No matter how athletes trained, they geared their efforts toward being the best in their event.

"The athletes pressure themselves to be successful by training day in and day out," men's head coach Ed Schneider said. "There is team pressure

because no one wants to be the weakest on the team."

The team participated in many meets, but athletes said they preferred to compete at home. A home meet gave the athletes a chance to demonstrate their abilities in front of their family and friends. Some athletes said they felt their performance was better at home because they concentrated harder on beingthe

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By Tricia Scott



Preshman Aaron Decker successfully completes a pole vault jump at the Truman Open held at Stokes Stadium. Decker placed eighth in the finals with a jump of 3.35 meters. (photo by Ashleigh Starke)



FRONT ROW: Cammie Ewing, Jody Shanks, Leah Zidon, Karena Singleton, Jennifer Tesmer. SECOND ROW: Nicole Gandy, Dafros Mudyirwa, Angie Haddock, Molly Kandlbinder, Jamille Curry. THIRD ROW: Brittan Hallar, Melissa Linden, Kasye Hahn, Sa-Tonya Carter, Kristi Morton, Heidi Shearer, Beth Luebbering, Emily Komiskey, Jill Lowry. BACK ROW: Becky Kudrna, Alison Sparks, Brandy Leffler, Suzanne Schmidt, Natasha Carter, Tracy Fuller, Lauren Dorsey, Megan Williams, Amy Johnson.





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Track and field athletes had little free time between practices, meets, organizations and schoolwork. The teams practiced at least one and a half hours a day, which taught the athletes to manage their time.

"The immense dedication that track takes helps keep me organized and makes me do the stuff I need to get done, like homework," freshman Jennifer Tesmer said. "It was hard to get used to, but over time it has gotten a lot better and now I am able

to get things done effectively."

The amount of time devoted to track made some students leery of giving more time to other extracurricular activities.

"I was afraid to get involved during my freshman year because I didn't know exactly how much time I would have," Tesmer said. "But now that I've got practices under control, I think next year I will be able to be more involved on the campus."

The men's track and field team had 35 members who participated in 21 NCAA events. The team's goal for the season was to improve on last season's fifth place ranking in outdoor track and field. Coach Schneider said the team should contend well in the conference. Senior Chad Froelker placed seventh in the high jump competition.

"The team has shown lots of improvement and progress," Schneider said. "They get better each week."

The women's team consisted of 32 members and performed all events except the high jump. The women won the indoor conference title and four women qualified for the national indoor meet. The team devoted much time to preparing for their events.

"The athletes practice a lot, probably fourteen or

fifteen hours per week, but practice times are flexible," head coach John Cochrane said. "We know that they are not here to only run, so we like to work around their schedules."

The End Result

<u>MEN</u> Augustana Inv.

V. K. Decathlon - Individual

- Individual

Northwest Mo. Inv.

- 6th

Washington Inv

Lee Calhoun Inv

Mule Relays

- Individual Drake Relays

- Individual

MIAA Decathlon

- Individual MIAA Champ.

- Individual

Billy Hays Inv.
- Individual

- 27th

WOMEN
Augustana Inv.

- 2nd Truman Open

- Individual Bearcat Inv.

- 1st Washington Inv.

- 1st Div. II Challenge - 2nd

- 2nd Mule Relays

- Individual Drake Relays

- Individual Events Champ.

- Individual MIAA Champ.

- Individual Mo. Southern

- Individual Emporia State - Individual

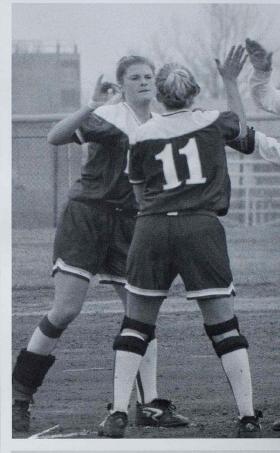
NCAA Champ. - 16th

Senior Brian Maples bounds over a hurdle in the men's 3,000 meter Steeplechase finals during the Truman Open meet. The Bulldogs earned four top-five finishes during the event. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)

Encouraging each other, players stand on the pitcher's mound before taking their positions. Softball players used this motivator each inning to keep spirits high.

The End Result

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| Lock Hven (Pa.) | 12 | Ó |
| Indianapolis | 4 | 0 |
| Southwest State (minn.) | 8 | 0 |
| Bloomsburg (Pa.) | 3 | 6 |
| Sourth Dakota | 0 | 4 |
| Ferris State (Mich.) | 3 | 1 |
| Indiana (Pa.) | 1 | 4 |
| St. Joseph's (Ind.) | 5 | 0 |
| Shippensburg (Pa.) | 2 | 1 |
| Columbia (Mo.) | 6 | 3 |
| Oklahoma City | 3 | 0 |
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| Missouri Southern* | 5 | 0 |
| Washburn* | 2 | 1 |
| Washburn* | 2 | 0 |
| Mesa State (Colo.)** | 1 | 5 |
| Southeastern Oklahoma State** | 3 | 1 |
| Nebraska-Kearney** | 3 | 0 |
| Mesa State (Colo.)** | 0 | 5 |
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| FINAL | 44-12 | |









The Truman State University softball team was more than just a group of women who went through the motions of going to practice every day for three hours and playing double headers three days a week-they were a team.

All nine starters returned from the 1999 roster and the women used this year to build on the friendships made in the previous year.

"In all the years I've played softball, I've never been on a team where everybody's friends, like this one," junior Heather Mackie said.

What made the softball team truly unique was their friendships extended past the playing field.

"We all get along really well," senior Michelle Rackers said. "We're one of the few athletic teams left that actually party together."

The bond the women shared on and off the field was a major factor in the women's success as a team.

"The girls all being friends definitely improves communication among the team," senior Amber Eastabrooks, student assistant coach, said. "Everyone basically knows what to expect from everyone else."

Last season the softball team boasted an astonishing 48-11 record and hoped to do even better this year. Most of the girls were quick to point out the importance of head coach Kristy Schroeder to their success.

"We all have the utmost respect for her and know that what she says goes," Rackers said.

The women's leadership qualities were seen in the classroom as well. The team boasted the highest combined grade point average of all the athletic teams.

Softball and school conflicted at times, but it was something the women got accustomed to. There were few newcomers because all of their starters returned, but team members accepted new players readily.

By Tom Palmier

Team Bonding

At bat, junior Jennifer Hulsopple prepares her stance for the upcoming pitch during a game against Columbia College. Truman State University won the game, 6-3. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

th the success of the 1999 season behind it, the ruman State University baseball team had every reason to expect a remarkable season in 2000. One of the bright spots for the team was the return of senior pitcher Jeff Birdsong, who set four school marks in 1999.

Birdsong, while pitching for the Rome (N.Y.) Indians of the Northeastern Collegiate Baseball League, shattered the humerus bone of his pitching arm just above the elbow during an exhibition game.

"The first doctor I talked to in New York said that I would never be able to throw at the same level [of intensity] again," Birdsong said.

News of the injury quickly traveled to the University's head coach, B.J. Pumroy, who said at first he was in a state of disbelief.

Instead of dwelling on the loss of the pitcher, Pumroy immediately implemented another plan of attack for the upcoming season. Pumroy said while the injury to Birdsong was unfortunate, he knew the team would rally together and sustain the team's hopes of a successful season. Pumroy said he did not lose much hope because of great talent and leadership on the team.

Senior co-captain Mike Kubinski said it was important for the team to realize the potential on their squad.

"We've evaluated the talent and we have some very talented freshman pitchers whose performances have helped the other guys and me [cope with Birdsong's injury]," Kubinski said. "There are also the upperclassmen [pitchers] who have stepped up and done nothing but improve."

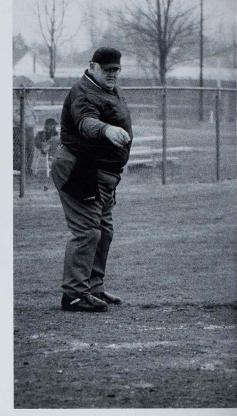
Kubinski was optimistic about the season.

"A lot of games got away from us last year," Kubinski said. "And with the experience that the upperclassmen have gained and the new talent that we have gotten in, I think we can definitely build on it."

Birdsong continued to face adversity with determination. He said he improved better than expected after extensive rehabilitation and therapy and hoped to pitch for the University in 2001.

Building Blocks

Pitching for Truman State University, junior Nick Pianalto throws to an opposing player. Pianalto was one of the four pitchers who stepped up to the challenge after Birdsong's injury.







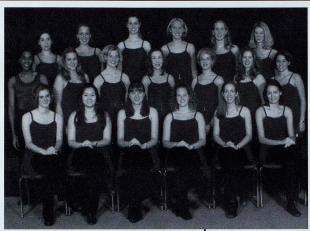


Senior MikeKubinski bats in a run during an afternoon game. Kubinski was second on the team for runs batted in during the season at 35. (photos by Mike Jorgenson)

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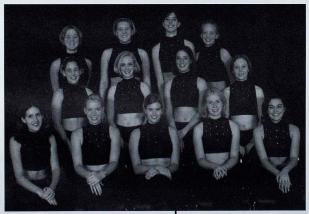
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T ruman State University cheerleaders show their spirit during a home basketball game. The cheerleaders performed at both basketball and football games. Rehearsal time was spent learning cheers and perfecting stunts and tumbling for timeouts.



High Street Dancers

FRONT ROW: Ann Hendrix, Merina Foster-treasurer, Elissa Ford-co-captain, Lindsay Benson-co-captain, Emily Etchason-secretary, Pam Dangremond-secretary. SECOND ROW: Aaron Gurly, Stephanie Bauman, Simonie Bieber, Maria Gonzalez, Jill Bieber, Shana Kelley, Melissa Durst. BACK ROW: Marie Brazilier, Claire Kemna, Jessica Moe, Lori Muegge, Merideth Schneider, Corinne Carter.



Showgirls

FRONT ROW: Sally Walz, Angie Martin-co-captain, Rachel McCarty-co-captain, Amanda Becker-secretary, Lisa Butler. SECOND ROW: Krista Stone, Megan Murphy, Brooke Clayton, Justine Brooks. BACK ROW: Emily Fridlington, Christy Schmitt, Sarah Barlar, Ashley Nassau.









atching the cheerleaders, Showgirls and High Street Dancers at basketball and football games, spectators thought that their performances were effortless. However, these men and women practiced every week year round.

They also had outside activities to prepare for and attend. These men and women spread themselves over practices, games, fund-raisers and community involvement.

"It gets to be a juggle," April Wilson, cheer-leader coach, said. "It's a pretty big commitment."

The cheerleaders put in 10-15 hours of practice a week, along with cheering at one or two games. Physical fitness was key to a successful squad. The members had to test-out in the areas of bench press, sit and reach, mile run and sit ups.

Also cheering on the crowd and supporting the cheerleaders were the Showgirls. The Showgirls performed at half-time of football and basketball games and cheered with the cheerleaders as well. All home games were a requirement for the Showgirls, which included football, and men's and women's basketball games. The group choreographed dances and performed a new dance at every game. They also performed during Greek Week and Big Man on Campus.

The High Street Dancers fired up the crowd during games. Their style was somewhat different as they incorporated different types of dance including funk, jazz, tap and lyrical.

The High Street Dancers also appeared at numerous events in and out of town. They were an intermediate act for the Homecoming Lip Sync competition, performed a lyrical dance at the Martin Luther King Jr. Unity performance and were the opening act for the 2000 Special Olympics.

Although these three separate groups had different job descriptions, they all promoted school spirit and supported the sports teams.

By Teri Patterson

Spirited

The High Street Dancers perform during halftime at a basketball game. When doing the halftime shows, the dancers commonly had to perform at both the men's and women's games on the same day. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

hey had the look of bulldogs sneering at a piece of meat that was two feet beyond their reach. Their eyes turned black with a menace that left people obedient and cowering. Their voices echoed in everyone's mind until the words were unforgettable. They were the coaches at Truman State University.

Coaches were just human beings who tried to do their job despite all of the negative stereotypes.

"Coaches need to be a number of things to a young man. They need to be a mentor," head football coach John Ware said. "I think [coaches] need to help him down the right path in life, school and whatever comes his way. Coaches are role models."

Coaches did not have the desire to dictate a player's actions. Ware said he did not try to impose himself on his players, but he relied on the hope that they would come to him if they needed guidance.

"I don't try to be a big brother looking over their shoulder all of the time," Ware said.

Becky Eggering, head volleyball coach, said good relationships between coaches and players were important.

"It's not a friend-to-friend thing, but we try to think of them as family," Eggering said.

Although some responsibilities were different, assistants played an important role.

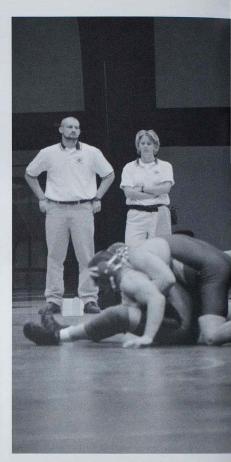
"The only difference is that we work more indirectly with the players," Mat Steinberg, assistant football coach, said. "The coach always takes in our opinion and usually listens to it unless his gut instinct tells him otherwise."

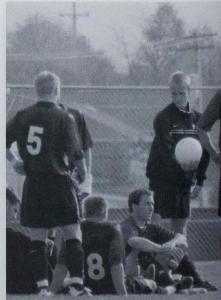
Athletes said relationships with their coaches were important and the expertise of the coach was just as important.

By Yoko Ishioka

Strong Bonds

A If Balboa, the men's soccer team head coach, gathers with the players during a home game. The relationships that coaches shared with their players were just as important as their expertise in the sport. (photo by Tina Patel)



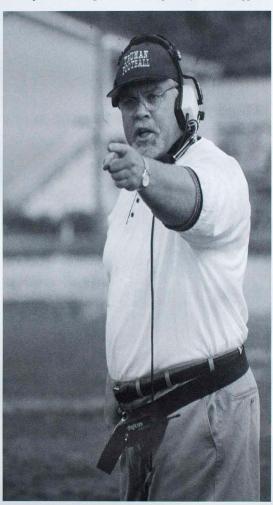


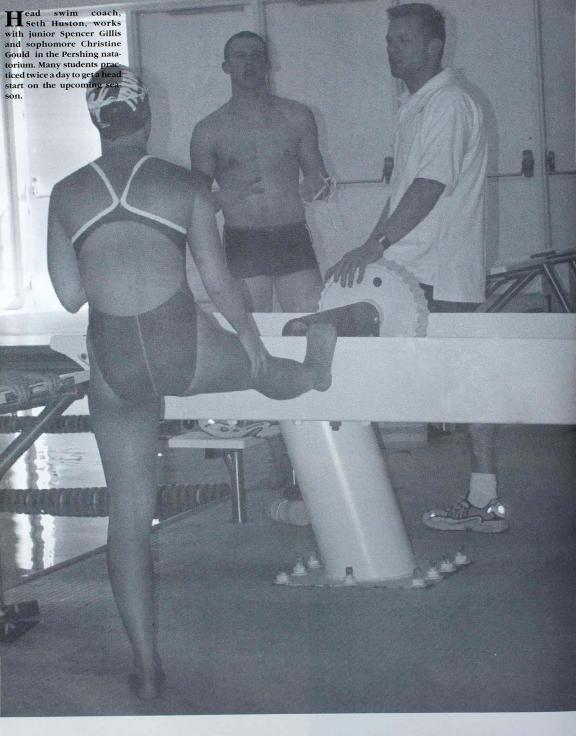




Head wrestling coach, Dave Schutter, encourages his players during a wrestling meet in Pershing Arena. Schutter often ran early morning workouts, which included running and circuit training. His dedication and willingness to push the wrestlers to do their best was the key to their success. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

During a football game, head coach John Ware points to one of his players. Football was the sport with the largest number of athletes and the most assistant coaches. Successful communication links were needed between all of the coaches to ensure that common goals were implemented throughout the season. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)







Huston

Swimming coach is once again honored with Coach of the Year

In six years, the Truman State University women's swimming team went from being a tiny speck on the national radar to finishing second at the Division II National Tournament. This story seemed like a Hollywood movie where the underdogs learned to work together and win as a team.

One man built this story on his vision of success. For the second time in the past three years, the NCAA recognized the effort put in by the director of this success story, head swim coach, Seth Huston. The NCAA awardedhim the highest Division II women's coaching honor – Coach of the Year.

"We were really proud of him and excited because he deserved it," senior Jen Malone said. "We [usually] get all the recognition. We're the ones who get the awards, and we're the ones who get our names announced over and over at the swim meets, but we couldn't do it without him."

The success of the women, ranked 2nd nationally, and men, ranked 9th, was impressive when compared to the floundering program that Huston took over in 1993.

"The year that he got here, we had almost no one going to Nationals," junior Christie Williamsen said. "But every year he's stepped up his expectations. He knew when he came in here that we had the capabilities of being a good team."

Huston said the turnaround began with the attitudes of the swimmers.

"One of my swimmers who graduated years ago said that the biggest thing that I did was to create team pride," Huston said. "He said before I came, there were people coming to morning practices hung over from the night before and things like that.

They were happy to be on the team, but they weren't striving for anything. When I got here my big thing was, 'Win or lose, I want you to earn the respect of your opponents.' I think that did a lot for them."

The women finished in the top four in the Division II National Tournament the past three years and earned the competition's respect. Perhaps the most impressive testament to Huston's coaching ability came from the respect he earned from the athletes he coached.

"He's a fabulous coach," junior Bryna Busch said. "He motivates us, but he's not [uptight]. He's just really fun to swim for. I'm proud to have him as my coach not only because he's such a great coach, but because he's such a great person. He knows what's right and what isn't, and he tries to teach that to the swimmers. Sportsmanship is very important to him."

Huston's tireless efforts took much of the credit for making the memories of past seasons fade. With his track record for success, the enthusiastic support of his team and a talented group of young swimmers at his disposal, the University's swim program promised to be as enthusiastic in future years.

"He's very driven; he's constantly working on trying to improve the program," Malone said. "He'll go to conferences, read the latest weight training [techniques] and things like that. He's never satisfied. He wants more and more out of the program. I think that's why he's so successful."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

Top: Seth Huston talks with freshman Sara Hatcher at an afternoon swim practice. MiddlE: Between practices and classes, Huston finds time to finish paperwork. Bottom: Competitive swimmers and coaches gather during a swim meet in the Pershing natatorium.(photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

unior Dan Reuth crowned Big Man on Campus 2000. BMOC was sponsored by the Delta Zeta and showcased men in talent, evening wear and swimwear competitions. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)



ORGANIZATIONS

Truman State University's academic reputation led people to believe that we spent most of our time in class or at Pickler Memorial Library. We did push ourselves academically, but we put just as much energy into our extracurricular activities. We joined organizations of every kind. We came together for service. We provided service for the University, the community and nationwide philanthropies. We gathered for social interaction. We attended retreats, dances and parties to build stronger relationships with each other. We came together in academic organizations. We found that career-oriented clubs gave us an edge in our fields. We also gathered in religious organizations. We were drawn to the support a close group of fellow believers provided. We found that our lives were richer when we were involved.



New Name, Same

hen the women arrived on Aug. 22 at the Greek Interest Barbecue at Red Barn Park, they were in for a surprise. They thought they had come to rush; instead they were part of the new member recruitment.

What these women experienced was the implementation of the new sorority terminology. The Panhellenic Council decided to update the terms to make them not only more politically correct, but also more representative of the recruitment process.

"The terms were changed to be more descriptive of what the new members would be going through," senior Susan Bertelsmeyer, Panhellenic Council president, said. "By using the term 'new member recruitment', it shows that it is a year-long, active process, instead of just the week of rush."

The change of terms was also used to clear up confusion in the non-Greek community.

"Greeks know what 'rush' is, but by using terms such as 'new member recruitment', the idea is more specific and both Greeks and non-Greeks understand what is going on," senior Laura Crandall, Alpha Sigma Alpha president, said.

The transition to the new terminology was smooth. Ryan Brueckman, Lambda Chi Alpha vice president, said the change was not a problem in the Greek community.

"The sororities did a good job of explaining why they changed the terms and their meanings," Brookman said.

The new terms, however, confused some of the new members.

"I was very confused at first," Jocelyn Warner, a new member of Sigma Kappa, said. "My mom was in a sorority so I was used to hearing her say 'rush' so it was hard to get out of that mentality. The Rho Chis used the new terms, but when we went around to visit the different sororities they kept saying the old terms, so it was hard to adjust."

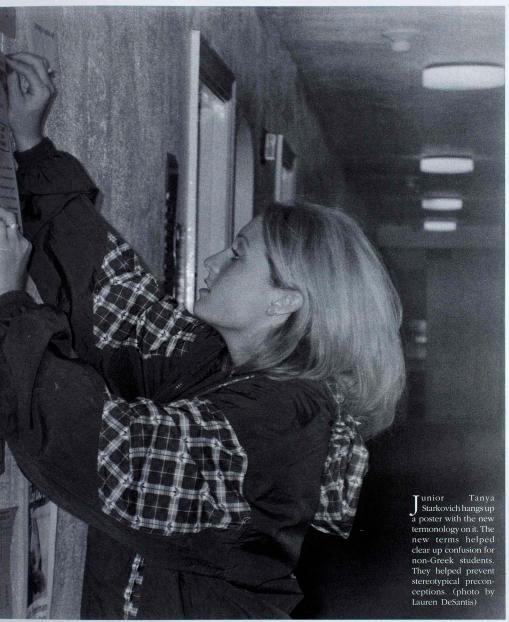
Even the current sorority members had a difficult time adjusting to the new terminology.

"We kept catching each other using the wrong terms, so while it did clear up some confusion for the non-Greek community, it caused some for the sororities," Crandall said.

By Sara Hoppe



The Panhellenic Council implemented new terms. These terms brought confusion to some and contentment to others.



sing one jump rope, juniors **Emily Fridlington and** Christie Williamsen jump for Phi Epsilon Kappa's philanthropy, Jump Rope for Heart. The proceeds of the jump-a-thon were donated to the American Heart Association. Phi Epsilon Kappaalsoorganized the MS Walk to raise money for Multiple Sclerosis. (photo by Tina Patel)



Realities of ... Philanthropies



"The main philanthropy Pi Kappa Phifocuses on is PUSH America. We want to raise money and awareness for the organization and its efforts. Our chapter raises between \$3,000-\$4,000 a year. It's fulfilling to see wherethe money goes."

John Challis, president







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roups in need caused Greek organizations to come to the rescue with their support.

Many organizations supported groups like United Way and the American Cancer Society. Each organization also took on a philanthropy of its own to support.

Greek organizations found that a committee was necessary for the hard work needed to plan events for both their national philanthropies and the local charities the groups chose.

Alpha Sigma Alpha sponsored "Puppy Love for Tally," named for Tally Stephens, an Alpha member who died in a caraccident in 1989. Her sisters found homes for animals in memory of Stephens and her volunteer work at the Adair County Humane Society.

Other Greek organizations worked more with a national philanthropy. Tau Kappa Epsilon coordinated events for the Special Olympics activities at Stoke's Stadium in April.

"We get a set team made up of other organizations and tell them how to run events. We are like the supervisors," senior Jon Nones said. Delta Zeta supported its national philanthropy, Gaullaudat University, by sponsoring "Big Man on Campus," a male beauty pageant. Money from this social activity was split between Gaullaudat and the chosen philanthropy of the winner.

A member of Phi Kappa Theta won the competition the past two years and donated the money to the Children's Miracle Network.

"Usually we send out money to Children's Miracle Network," senior Doug Depp said. "Sometimes we will get a call from them, telling us that this month they are a little short. Then we will either try and raise money or we give funds out of our budget."

The time spentraising money for philanthropies allowed groups to help charities as well as gain a sense of self pride.

By Colleen Brown

Greek

Pelta Zeta member, senior Amanda Cox, seesaws outside of the Student Union Building in order to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Delta Zeta teamed with Alpha Kappa Lambda to seesaw for one week during October, 24 hours a day. (photo by Teri Patterson)

ir c a* OIC Chi dta C Etingda C he college world not only prepared students with an education; they also graduated with a good resume and a developed social life. Students enrolled in classes and filled their spare time with organizations, both for amusement and for professional experience. Each organization had its own way of convincing

students to join and keeping them active.

"It [joining groups] gives students the opportunity to expand your horizons," junior Emily Linke said.

Freshmen received a list of all the campus organizations they could join. Some students tossed the list in the trash, but others put it to use.

When freshman Joseph Brooks received the list, he highlighted all the organizations that interested him. He joined 12 groups, and is an officer in four of them.

"I wanted to meet people and find out what I am interested in being a part of," Brooks said. "There is a difference between going to meetings and being a part of the group."

Organizations were a way for students to meet other people with similar interests.

Religious groups encouraged students to get in touch with their beliefs, while political groups motivated members to be active in elections.

Resume building was another important reason to join organizations. Both service activities and events planned by a professional organization gave members a chance to get involved.

"As a premedical person, [AMSA] is one of the best organizations on campus to be involved in," junior Scott Calhoun said. "Medical schools look favorably on involvement in different types of organizations. Not to mention, they have lots of programs for community outreach."

Organizations allowed students to get involved outside of class and get more out of the college experience.

By Colleen Brown



Attempting to recruit new members, senior Jenny Herron answers questions at the Cardinal Key table at the Activities Fair. Cardinal Key looked to recruit members with at least a 3.25 GPA and an interest in service and leadership opportunities. Another method of recruitment was sending out fliers to eligible female students. (photo by Tina Patel)





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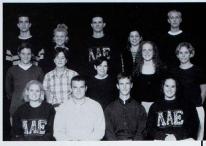
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FRONT ROW: Andrew Ashbaugh, Luke Willman-station manager, Jeffrey Bernth-chief announcer, Kirby DeMoss-promotion director, Amberly Lebeck-music director, Jennifer Henry-news director, Julia Pankiewicz-continuity director, Jacob Fleischer. SECOND ROW: Rebecca Holtane, Sarah Dwiggins, Katie Svoboda, Joe Klug, Sarah Young, Kari Schuster, Stacey Bumpus. BACK ROW: Rhonda Rathke, Eric Proebsting, Andy Unnerstall, Adam Kos, Curtis Mason, Dan Doerr, Michael Heien, Andrew Kuhlmann.



Lambda Alpha Epsilon

FRONT ROW: Sarah Reid-president, James Bredeman-vice president, Nathan Kovarik-treasurer, Janelle Zupancic. SECOND ROW: Jodi Banocy, Katie Meadows, Liz Klein, Kristy Masten, Linda Kues. BACK ROW: Stephen Dowil, Flannery Brill, Christopher Guillory, Erin Brown, Joseph Clemmer.



Lambda Chi Alpha

FRONT ROW: James Knowles III, Peter Eatherton-secretary, Ryan Brueckmann-vice president, John McMenamy-vice president, Mike Favazza, Christ Hurst, Andrew Mullen, Fred Shafferadviser. SECOND ROW: Jeff Brown, Tim Hanrahan, Jose Calderon, William Schorg, Jeremy Bright, Eric Reckamp, Dan Rueth, Matthew Gorton, Brian Finlay. BACK ROW: William Cockrill, Damon Berardi, Benjamin Greer, Brad Wilson, Danny Dolan, Storm Huse, Tom Qualls, Jim Rosenberger.



Lambda Chi Alpha

FRONT ROW: Patrick Finney, Eric Harper, Kenneth Husse, Johnathan Sept, Ryan White, Stephen Schwarz. SECOND ROW: Thomas Sullivan, Tim Glover, Brett Henderson, Scott Haarmann, Matthew Kahn, Brian Coady, David Rinderknecht, Vasean Nixon, Paul Pagano. THIRD ROW: Benjamin Karlson, Nicholas Greiner, Tristan Lovenduski, William Beine, Phillip Flemming, Brian Lux, Johnathan Edwards, Kevin Bley. BACK ROW: Michael Martinez, Ryan Bertels, Kyle Fieleke, Kevin Doll, Tyler Spiegel, Adam Bichsel, Christopher Vogt, Eric Blinkinsop.



Latter Day Saint Student Association

FRONT ROW: Marissa Holmes-president, Josh Leckbee, Steve Gliske, Robert O' Brien. BACK ROW: Kristen Erekson, Rebecca Dall, Sabrina Barker, Tom Salt, Joseph Chernich, Ann Carter.



Lifestyle Advocacy Program

FRONT ROW: Shawn Slick, Katie Thacker. BACK ROW: Erin DeSutter, Heather Eklund, Jacquelyn Ross.



Lutheran Student Fellowship

FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Scheperle-president, Nicholas Fullervice president, Karen Dierking-secretary, Erin Hodschayanhistorian, Erin Kruenegel, Emily Gluesing, Danette Thomas. SECOND ROW: Amy Linsenbardt, Bich Pham, Larissa Ball, Ellen Axmear, Alisha Smyth, Angela Wahome, Erin Werner, Joshua Boehme. BACK ROW: Wendy Franklin, Elizabeth Hahn, Adam Dichsen, Uriah Kiehl, Derek White, John Scott, Andrew Schultz, Andrew Schermbeck.



FRONT ROW: Nathan Personett-president, Benjamin Edwardsvice president, Melissa Essinger-secretary, Sarah Barnard-trea surer, Cherish Dow-adviser. SECOND ROW: Jim Cupples, Annie Bullerdieck, Jennifer Altis, Bethany Orda, Chanda Ayers, Justin Kempf. BACK ROW: Megan Cotter, Amy Huedepohl, Marbree Simpson, Adam Kos, Paul Wade.



Mediators Assisting Disputants

FRONT ROW: Amanda Beeson-secretary, Matthew Webber-vice | FRONT ROW: Sarah Yancey, Jennifer Davis, Elizabeth Shannon,



Medieval Society

Laura Rhodes. BACK ROW: Chris Josephs, Tim Scott,



Monitor 1

FRONT ROW: Mathew Webber-editor, Erin Hucke-editor, Jesse Pasley-co-editor, Marie Toeno. SECOND ROW: Olivera Bratich, Cameron Moore, Heather Mosley, Ben Braun, Kristen Crenshaw. THIRD ROW: Paul Kingston, Leslee White, Shawn Gilmorepoetry editor, Loretta Vaughn. BACK ROW: Andy Dandino, Andy Staggenborg, Jay Peterson, Chris Vernon, Takeshi Noto.



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FRONT ROW: K. Clapp-adviser, B. Ross, J. Fadler-secretary, treasurer, M. Hollingsworth-vice president, J. Mathis-president, B. Russell-vice president, A. Kopp-historian, L. Hoffman-historian. SECOND ROW: A. Lewis, T. Lewis, J. Gatheman, C. Burnett, R. Clouse, A. White, C. Green, R. McCullar, N. Livingston, J. K. Hammons, THIRD ROW: S. Reeb, M. Matusiak, J. Bodenhamer, L. Mues, T. Hermann, E. Duenow, J. Kohlbrecher, E. Kendrick, D. Kehr, S. Starnes. BACK ROW: J. Harris, M. Peters, S. Biggs, M. Mencely, K. Wilson, A. Huedepohl, M. Rauscher, S. Mundhenk, L. Dale, M. Dooling.



National Pan-Hellenic Council

Nursing Students Association

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Cantrell, Cassie Tate, Amy Heidotten.

FRONT ROW: Kia Hartfield, Rudy Arredondo-secretary, Joe Murchison-vice president, Alana Butler-president, Temeka Lewistreasurer, Angela Newton, Demond Baine-adviser. SECOND ROW: Linisha Mills, Kendra Gardiner, April Howard, Reynard Stephens, Jeremiah McCluney, Luke Gott. BACK ROW: Kenneth Martin, Crystal Tillman, Shellie Mayes, Natasha Carter, Cecil Brooks,



National Residence Hall Honorary

FRONT ROW: Sara Denny, Sarah Gordon-president, Christy Paine-vice president, Karin Wirsig-vice president, Danette Rardon-secretary/treasurer, Sibyl Cato-adviser. SECOND ROW; Lisa Army, Adrienne Smith, Luke Andermann, Elizabeth Hahn, Scott Hammack, Mandy Peters, Melanie Barrett. BACK ROW: Megan Hollingsworth, Lisa Berna, Cahelle Holterfield, Jeffrey Bernth, Brett Logan, Richard Smith.



E Omega Psi Phi

FRONT NOW: Katle Weber, Kimberly Kavanaugh, April Howard, CFRONT ROW: Reynard Stephens, David Green-president, Billy SOCIETY ** MONITOR



Disorders Aomicron Delta Kappa

FRONT ROW: Jessica Neighbors-president, Tim Sandford-vice president, Alan Bancroft-secretary, David Hoffman-adviser, Kenneth Hussey, Dhyanesh Suresh, Mary Ziegler. SECOND ROW: Pam Dangremond, Alicia Ite, Allie Poehling, Laura Crandall, Susan Bertelsmeyer, Kiya Willis, Sonya Burgers, Katie Jeffries. BACK ROW: Matthew Gervase, Stacey George, Heather Rasmussen, Kristi Russell, Chelle Holterfield, Alison Spark



Order of Omega

FRONT ROW: Julie Suddarth, Alan Bancroft-secretary, Emily Salem-president, Janine Hall-treasurer. SECOND ROW: Jill Hatridge, Becky Russell, Heather Droste, Lizzie Schuerman, Michelle Scarry. BACK ROW: Giuseppe Giardina, Patrick Madden, Kyle Fieleke, Brian Bauer, Brad Ross, Andrew Roth.

Collegians** Audubor

Peter Lyskowski, James Hubler.

♦ he excitement of becoming a new member of an organization often wore off as the meetings and events became monotonous. As members became involved in more activities, the time they devoted to each organization decreased.

Members of organizations had to devote much time to meetings and group functions. Officers or group leaders encouraged members to be active, but this did not always

prove to be effective.

Organizational meetings provided an opportunity for group members to meet to discuss business and upcoming events and to listen to speakers relating to the organization's purpose and goals. These redundancies caused attendance rates to drop. This had major effects for groups that were already small.

"In small organizations that don't have a lot of members, it's hard to do things," junior Heather Rasmussen, Habitat for Humanity's president, said. "Members often get frustrated due to lack of activities and opportunities to get involved."

Attendance at organization meetings declined during the semester due to boredom, laziness or activities unrelated to a member's organization. The biggest factor for the decrease in attendance was that the meetings were not mandatory. Without mandatory attendance rules, organizations had few options when it came to making members attend meetings.

"It's frustrating for Habitat for Humanity because we can't require anything," Rasmussen said. "Some organizations require meetings and others don't. One aspect is that it[requiring attendance at meetings] forces the members to be there, but if they're just gonna come to come, it's not worth it."

Another factor in the decrease in attendance was the fact that students became involved in many organizations at the same time.

"People are getting involved in activities to build their resumes, but aren't willing to get involved 100%," Rasmussen said. "If you are going to be a member, it's important to be involved."

Some groups even canceled meetings because of the low turnout.

To keep attendance high, organizations held various activities that drew attendance by members. Christmas parties, refreshments, speakers and reminders via email were all done to draw members to the meetings.

Being a member of an organization required commitment on the member's part, but the organization itself had to do its own part to draw members back.

By Ashley Amer and Heather Adams



As members spread themselves thin, organizations find themselves lacking participation.



S enior Benjamin Greer, president of the Student Activities Board, meets with the executive board to discuss upcoming events. As president, Greer was head of administrative duties which included meeting with University officials to discuss events and funding. (photo by Tina Patel)



Realities of... Leadership



"Sometimes I wish I had more time for school work, but I think I learn as much or more down here (Index office) than I do with school work. It helps me with management, delegating responsibilities and working with people."

Lora England, editor in chief







ever underestimate the power of good time management skills and an expresso machine.

Presidents of organizations lived by these basic rules as they juggled the demands of school work and group work. Students who presided over an organization saw their workload double right before their eyes.

Getting all of this work done proved to be possible but difficult.

"Being organized is the most important thing," senior Lora England said.

England was the editor in chief of the Index, the campus newspaper. She said that time management was not her specialty, but she still stayed organized.

Even with their time crunched, presidents did not get by with the bare minimums. Most had high GPAs and were members of other organizations as well. England was also the secretary of the Society of Professional Journalism and a member of other honor fraternities on campus.

Dave Boennighausen, president of Alpha Kappa Lambda, was also busy with organizational and educational tasks. Boennighausen presided over the AKLs when they built a new house. Boennighausen said he was stressed when he had to help the residents find other places to live since the house was not finished on time.

Despite his duties as president, Boennighausen managed to keep a high GPA and was also a member of Blue Key, Order of Omega, the American Marketing Association and other organizations.

Organization leaders often had to make sacrifices in order to preside over their groups. The most common sacrifice was sleep. Boennighausen found that by prioritizing his time, the sacrifices were not that bad.

"Make sure you get the most important things done first, and when things get rough, don't be afraid to let other people help out," Boennighausen said.

By Michelle Meywes

Split. Agenee

 ${f P}$ residing over an Alpha Phi Omega meeting, senior Anne Chopin discusses the upcoming elections. Presidents of organizations had several responsibilities, which included leading the meetings and making sure that events, activities and meetings ran smoothly. (photo by Tinia Gray)

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weaty, screaming bodies filled the Student Recreation Center during intramural season.

Teams would play for fun, and yet were determined to win the title of intramural champions.

They had that competitive spirit and worked hard to get where they were.

Some teams were so competitive they held tryouts for each sport and began practicing weeks and sometimes months in advance.

"We stay pretty competitive in everything we do," junior Brian Winkler, Sigma Phi Epsilon president, said.

A spokesman for the Rec Center said the four most popular sports were basketball, volleyball, indoor soccer and softball.

Over 70 teams participated in the men's and women's basketball tournament. The spring coed recreational league consisted of over 20 teams.

Basketball had the most participants and spectators of all the intramural sports. The men's championship basketball game in 1999, between Sigma Phi Epsilon and Phi Kappa Theta, drew around 325 spectators.

The game was moved to Pershing Arena due to fire code restrictions caused by the large number of people present.

Women also participated in intramural sports.

"Most of the girls participate in intramurals and if they don't, they go to cheer on the rest," junior Jill Walters, Delta Zeta member, said.

Intramural sports allowed students to try new things with the wide variety of sports offered.

"The numbers vary per year, but we usually offer around 20 to 25 sports," Dan Zimmer, intramural sports director, said.

Whether they were spectators or athletes, organizations involved in intramural sports had the majority of their members involved in one way or another.

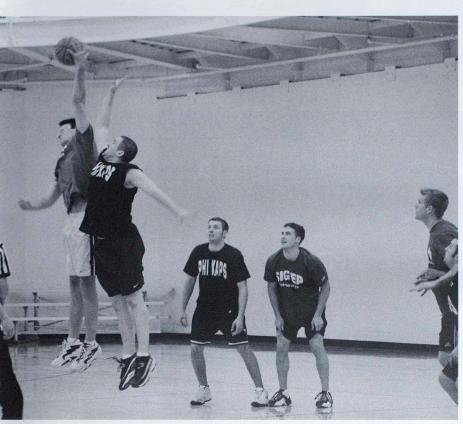
By Erin Machens |



 ${f F}$ reshman Kendra Antony gains contol of the ball for the Alpha Sigma Alphas in the "pool play" game against the Sigma Chi Deltas. Teams competed in a variety of intramurals including indoor soccer, badminton and tug-of-war. The top teams competed for the All-Sports Trophy.







Members from Phi Kappa Theta and Sigma Phi Epsilon go for the tip off to determine who gets the ball during "pool play." These games were practices for the actual intramural tournament. The winners of the tournament received T-shirts as a prize. (photos by Tinia Gray)

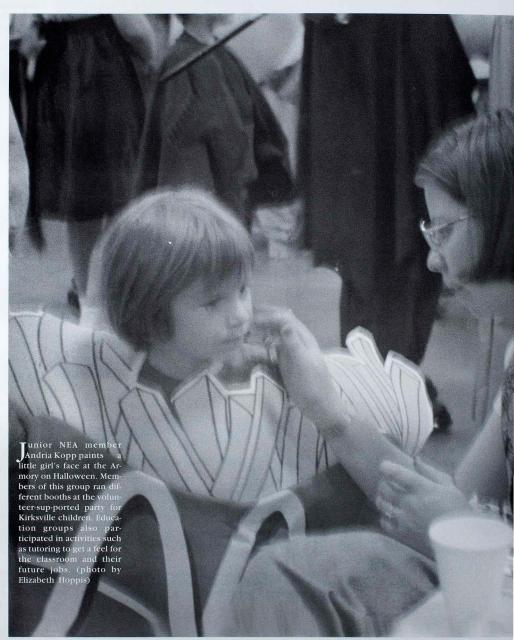
Realities of...Intramurals

"Intramurals are a good way for students at the University to meet new people and have fun."



| Heather Rasmussen, Sigma Kappa member

Future teachers had many opportunities to learn about their profession outside of class.





teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."
Henry Adams used these powerful words to describe the teaching profession. Most of the skills needed for teaching came through the Master of Arts in Education degree programs, but students did not rely on classroom instruction

alone.

Education majors at Truman State University had the opportunity to gain experience and knowledge through organizations including the Missouri National Education Association Student Program (MNEASP), Student Missouri State Teachers' Association (SMSTA) and Kappa Delta Pi.

"The idea is to bring in programs so that underclassmen who haven't taken education classes quite yet have an idea of what they're getting themselves into," senior Joselyn Mathis, MNEASP president, said.

The primary purpose of the organizations was to better prepare MAE students for the teaching profession through hands-on experience. Each organization also had at least one speaker at every meeting.

"They give us different views on different [aspects of] the profession," senior Susan Doss, SMSTA president, said. "We've had high school teachers, elementary school teachers, superintendents, professors and MAE [graduate] students. Sometimes people come in and mention something and I'll say, 'Hmm, I never thought of it that way before.'"

The knowledge and expertise shared by speakers was important for members.

"I think [the speakers] are helpful because you learn about things they don't teach you in education classes," senior Trisha Lewis, Kappa Delta Pi member, said. "They tell you about things they've actually experienced in schools."

Members agreed that getting involved was a worthwhile experience for any education major.

"It's something you won't regret later," senior Brad Ross said. "I would recommend it to some-body because it can do a lot for you. There are a lot of positive reasons to join, and it gives you an opportunity to give back within the realm of education, which is why we're trying to become teachers in the first place."

By Andrew Ashbaugh

ATrue

The True-Men are

now recognized by

the University as a

"real" organization.

ruman State University's True-Men, an 11-member all-male a cappella performing group, officially received its charter. It became effective in August 1999.

It took about one semester for True-Men to obtain the charter.

"To receive a charter, an interested student must first form an interest group with at least six other students, write a constitution

and get it approved by the Director of Campus Activities and the Dean of Student Affairs," Ryan Brueckmann, organizations coordinator for the Campus Activities and Organizations Center, said. Some paper work had to be filled out, but the process did not involve fees or

other requirements.

"[True-Men] had no real problems with getting the charter, just a lot of paper work," junior Jonathan Brader, a True-

Men member, said. Becoming an organization on campus brought several benefits to True-Men. The group could reserve rooms on campus for meetings and performances. A brochure about campus or-

ganizations included them with the rest of the University's organizations.

True-Men, now in its third year, performed several times throughout the year, averaging two to three performances a month.

By Ginny Windels





Panhellenic Council

FRONT ROW: Susan Bertelsmeyer-president, Amanda Eggers-vice president of scholarship, Chris Forcelledo-vice president of membership recruitment, Janine Hallsecretary, Sara Williams, Stacy Kraus-adviser. BACK ROW: Sarah Brown, Jill Hatridge, Katie Scioneaux, Angie Kramer, Christy Truesdell.



Pershing Society

FRONT ROW: Kate Koenig-president, Amanda Eggers-vice president, Erin Lesczynskivice president, Kristy Fish-treasurer, Angela Ernst, Corey Then, Dr. Patricia Burtonadviser. SECOND ROW: Christie Hall, Amanda White, Christy Truesdell, Kari Durham, Aaron Gurlly, Jeremy Gray, Renee McCullar, Katherine Krueger. BACK ROW: John Ayres, Bryan Hotujec, Melissa Derrick, Zachary Burden, Matthew Walczewski, Sean O'Brien, Matthew Lineberry, Sarah Welch.



True-Men provides entertainment at a picnic at Red Barn Park. The True-Men performed at many functions across campus. They sang such songs as "Duke of Earl" and "Peggy-Sue." (photo by Jo Ann Croghan)

Perceptions vs. Realities

Charters

*There were only a few student organizations on campus.

*Only certain people could start a new student group.

* There were about 200 active student groups.

* The University encouraged anyone to form an organization.

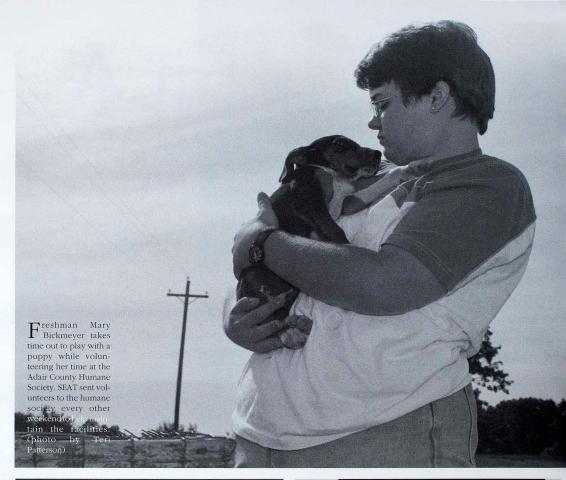
Perceptions vs. Realities



Phi Alpha Theta Phi Beta Lambda

FRONT ROW: Mike Murawski-secretary, Christopher Flieger-president, Keri Sileatreasurer, Susan Henderson.

FRONT ROW: Molly Trauernicht-treasurer, Channa Sullivan, Jewelee Stoffle-president, Andrew King-vice president, Steve Majors. SECOND ROW: Kelly Pauls, Amanda Mitchell, Mary Ramatowski, Teresa Roth, Tina Lee, Barb Espe-adviser. THIRD ROW: Feng Huang, Tara Emery, Robin McNaught, Jenna Meyer, Ashley Palliser. BACK ROW: Kelly Brickhaus, Katie Stoverink, Valerie Hopkins, Bill Green, Shannon Curran, Angie Compton.





FRONT ROW: Eddie Pierce-president, Jeremiah McCluney-secretary, Kenneth Martinvice president. BACK ROW: Tony Brookins-historian, Demetrius Davis-immediate chapter adviser.



Phi Epsilon Kappa

FRONT ROW: Caroline Conley-president, Nicole Flickinger-vice president, Jeffrey Gamber-treasurer, Melissa McIntyre-secretary, Stephanie Summers, Shannon Bruns, Erica Oborny, Heather Rasmussen, David Green. BACK ROW: Tina Anshus-historian, Sarah Grogan, Ryan Mulbery, Heather Doerhoff, Erin Kachman, Jennifer Adams, Amy Jennemann, Ryan Crews, Julie McGee, Carl Swenson.

Caring for Animals

tudents for Ethical Animal Treatment, more commonly known as SEAT, was a fairly new organization to Truman State University. Junior John Halski created the organization in 1998.

SEAT was a "touch-base for vegetarians on campus," sophomore Catherine Schmidt, SEAT's vice president, said.

The group worked with Sodexho to provide more information on vegetarian meals in the cafeterias. They petitioned last year to take veal off the menu and won.

SEAT did more than just provide support for vegetarians. They worked with the Adair County Humane Society. Only two women worked at the shelter, and they often needed help. SEAT members took bi-monthly trips to the shelter to help these women care for the animals. They performed a variety of activities at the shelter.

"We pick up the slack by helping to

washandtake care of the animals," Schmidt said.

They tried to increase the animals' morale by playing with them and taking them for walks.

SEAT also provided fun and informative events. They held a vegan picnic and a band-fest in November.

Speaker Howard Lyman, who had also appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show, came to the University and spoke on vegetarianism and corporate farming to those interested.

SEAT's membership grew during the year and members felt that they had made an impact on the community.

"We've definitely taken off from last year," sophomore Denise Magditch, historian, said. "Our group has grown from five to 10 members last year, to almost 20 this year."

By Michelle Meywes



Phi Eta Sigma

Phi Kappa Tau

FRONT ROW: Sara Denny, Laura Westhoff, Aaron Aversman-president, Jessica Callow, Brian Maples, Sara Bartek-sec., Ryan Shreve-tres., Lesley Kuhl, Alison Berti, Lisa Arny. SECOND ROW: Jewelee Stoffle, Robyn Hiatt, Laura Green, Laura Potts, Abigail Goedeker, Melissa Reese, Cassie Green, Michael Chen, Tara Gasaway, Mary Leitner, Meg Wiechert. THIRD ROW: Elizabeth Scheperle, Jennifer Slinkard, Angela Walker, Amy Taucher, Natalia Kolasa, Erin Harris, Kaysha Hanock, Mechelle Davis, Stacy Wright, Brooke Barfield. BACK ROW: Katie Nielsen, Caren DeGiacinto, David de la Fuente, Tim Sandfort, Isaac Stayton, John Ayres, Brian Schaffer, Stacey Leonatti, Claire DeVoss, Bradley Comstock.

FRONT ROW: Bryan James, Tyler Rauert, Steve Williams-treasurer, Scott Harkey-vice president, Jeff Wagner-president, Matt Foley, Brian Nikkel, Matt Mueller. SECOND ROW: Ryan Rahman, Yao Shi, Chris Candice, Matt Goessling, Travis Miles, John Anderson, Jeff Lawerence, Bobby Flint, Jason Ingenbohs. THIRD ROW: Jay Restifo, Mike Guethle, Kevin Louder, Scott Klasner, Andy Holmes, Andrew Wilson, Bob Betz, Kyle Deutsch. BACK ROW: Kevin Stucker, Brad Howard, Dan Mailath, Matthew Moore, Eric Stover, Pete Guntli, Kyle Eagan, Matthew Muren.

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Honoring

elta Sigma Pi began 21 years ago for business and economics majors with a grade point average above 2.25. Like many fraternities, they have a recruitment process and a pledge class.

"People don't just get in for showing up," chancellor Rahil Calcuttawala said. "It helps us pick over the people and gives students a reason to become active because they had to do more than show up."

The members of Delta Sigma Pi became highly decorated in August 1999 when they received the award for "Most Outstanding Chapter in the Nation" for the eighth time. The group held the record for receiving this award the most times. The fraternity also won two other national awards and seven regional awards.

"Some of the awards just come. We strive for them but our ultimate goal is not the award," Calcuttawala said. "We don't just do the work, we excel at the work. The awards are recognition for a job well done."

To receive awards through the national frater-

nity, Delta Sigma Pi had to participate in the chapter efficiency index.

Every activity Delta Sigma Pi participated in with at least 40 percent of the members helping counted for points. Delta Sigma Pi earned 165,833 points in the 1998-99 school year. The goal set by the national fraternity was 100,000.

"To put the 165,833 [points] into perspective, only 24 of the 174 chapters registered as a national group reached the goal of 100,000," Jaime Geer, president, said. "Our goal for this year is 200,000."

Members of Delta Sigma Pi volunteered and participated in fundraising and social events to reach their goal. They also earned money for their philanthropy, cystic fibrosis.

They invited speakers twice a month and held seminars on ballroom dancing. Delta Sigma Pi also worked the concession stands at every sporting event on the University's campus.

By Colleen Brown



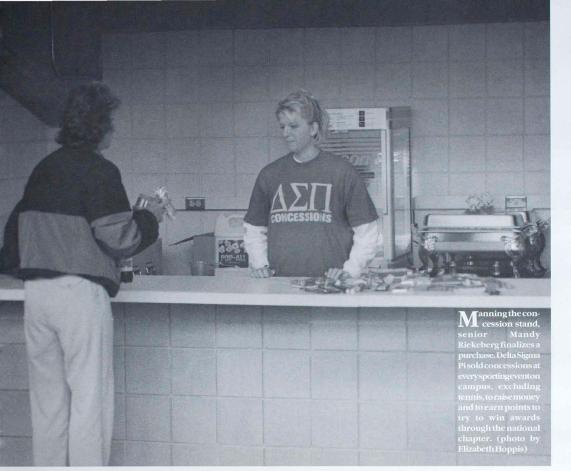
Phi Kappa Theta

FRONT ROW: D. Steiner, J. Howard, R. Rawlings, M. Doyle, D. Depp-president, J. Rogers, L. Bealor, R. Ramirez, D. Burr. SECOND ROW: S. DeVita, R. Davis, P. Barket, K. Welty, M. Chenot, A. Hellner, C. Huffman, T. Kraft, J. Walter, S. Doan. THIRD ROW: N. Garner, K. Pettit, Ehren Hart, I. Nobles, N. Lovan, B. Swip, L. Fogleman, J. Raaz, C. Linck, D. Sencczyn, V. Jordan. BACK ROW: B. Kreuzer, S. Swindler, T. Jones, B. Brown, M. Morris, C. Fehr, J. Tarpoff, J. Bayer, Jr., D. Spencer, D. Paley.



Phi Lambda Chi

FRONT ROW: Chris Lantz-adviser, Curtis Bingham, Jason Studley-secretary, Patrick Madden-president, Mark Nolker-vice president, Sean DeVore-treasurer. SECOND ROW: Patrick Fridley, John Seaborn, Todd Billy, Jason Shinn, Adam Bliley, Pete Sittirug, Nathan Kovarik. THIRD ROW: Nick Bartelli, Brett Logan, William Barfield, Gordon Ahrens, Mike Goebel, Matt Brooker, Nick Schandler. BACK ROW: Travis Shinn, Sam Barnes, John Vukelich, Quincy Gray, Eddie Brauer, Dustin Meinke, Scott McMillan, Joe Gaffney.







FRONTROW: Chris Moran-treasurer, Jeff Schultz-secretary, Andrew Levy-vice president, Brian Dean-president, Todd Luzader, Ryan Erickson, Dave Pisarkiewicz, John Martinez-historian, SECOND ROW: Chris Ramsay, Seth Woods, David Edgington, Mark Sulzer, Eric Halbert, Matt Moore, Jon Crosby. THIRD ROW: Ryan Milligan, Mark Benmuvhar, Andrew Schultz, Matt Lampe, Jeremy Haupt, Robert O'Brien, Greg Cornelius, John Pinkston. BACK ROW: Chris Ellman, Dan Tucker, Adam Dichsen, Jason Humrich, Aaron McPherson, Andrew Coon, John Haefele, Greg Marshall.



Phi Sigma Pi

FRONT ROW: Amy Bowers-president, Nicole Winters-vice president, Jessica Lindsay-corresponding secretary, Brian Coles, Erik Rogers, Bryan Bichsel, Kevin Punswick, Rebecca Howard, Niroshini Perera, Adriana Pequeno. SECOND ROW: Danielle Slater, Mike Chen, Tracey Fintel, Daniel Lopez, Suzanne Berry, Susan Kartiko, Tia Welsch, Carrie Ahillen, Leslie Proud. THIRD ROW: Michelle Stolin, Angela Keller, Sarah West, Dori Schulte, Christy Straatmann, Tim Sandfort, Rhiannon Hollister, Megan Williams. BACK ROW: Shane Lewinski, Ann Hier, Rob Groceman, Jennifer VanHouten, Lucas McFarland, Derek Smith.

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Following the theme of "it's not about not drinking it's about drinking, it's about not thinking," former alcoholic Mike Green talked to students about being responsible when they drink. Green's speech was part of Alcohol Awareness Week and was sponsored by Bacchus and Gamma. (photo by Tina Anshus)

Perceptions vs. Realities

of Alcohol

* Alcohol did not * It could increase have any longterm physical effects on a

person Very few students were binge drink

ers

a person's weight by 10 pounds a year

* Nearly onehalf of college students were binge drinkers

Perceptions vs Realities



Photo Club

FRONT ROW: Tinia Gray-president, Racheal Ruble, Professor Ruth Adams-adviser, Teri Patterson, Lizzie Schuerman.





Pi Delta Phi

FRONT ROW: Dr. Betty McLane-Iles-adviser, Jenny Lonigro-president, Jill Hatridgevice president. Janice Hodges-treasurer, Sarah Dunn- secretary, Natalie Marshall. SECOND ROW: Kelly Klarenbeek, Erin DeSutter, Sara Denny, Michelle Scarry, Sara Young, Adrienne Smith, Sherry Tyhurst. BACK ROW: Sarah Carle, Aaron Gurlly, Annette Bordeaux, Katie Scioneaux, Berth McCracken, Jill Savlin, Ruth Terefe, Rachel Beckett.



Think

t's not about not drinking, it's about not thinking!"
This was the message of Bacchus and Gamma, an active alcohol awareness group on campus. Bacchus and Gamma's main focus was to educate students about

health issues that affected them.

"We focus primarily on alcohol awareness, but we also deal with any issues that are affecting students and college campuses today," Tim

Stegman, Bacchus and Gamma's adviser, said

Bacchus and Gamma tried to increase awareness of alcohol consumption without sounding like they were anti-fun.

"We want people to know that we aren't against drinking," junior Theresa Doll, Bacchus and Gamma president, said. "We are just against not drinking respon-

sibly."

Bacchus and Gamma

focused on drinking

responsibly and other

issues concerning

college students.

Bacchus and Gamma participated in many activities throughout the year. Their biggest activity was Alcohol Awareness Week in October. Mike Green, a former alcoholic, talked about the dangers of

> abusing alcohol on Oct. 21. Bacchus and Gamma sponsored workshops by STEP, the Department of Public Safety and the Student Health Cen-

Bacchus and Gamma also participated in Eating Disorders Week, National Smoke-Out Week and Sexual Responsibility Week.

Members felt they did a lot to help educate peers on health issues.

"We are students working with students to make life here at Truman safer," senior Eric Stover said.

By Chelle Holterfield



Pi Kappa Phi

FRONT ROW: John Challis-president, Aaron Emerson, Benjamin Aranda, Matthew Richter-treasurer, Thomas O'Brien-secretary, John Hemminghaus, Kevin Murray-historian, Michael Cox-historian, David Lesczynski-adviser. SECOND ROW: Joshua Voelkerding, Jeff Borgmeyer, Aaron Dorsman, Frank Krockenberger, Jon Block, Scott Pinkowski, Andrae Naraine, Chad Williams, BACK ROW: Brian Casey, Brian Holland, Virgil Moore, Bryan Dopuch, Kevin O'Grady III, Peter Maurer, Daniel Appelbaum.



Pi Kappa Phi

FRONT ROW: Jeremy Brown, Kurt Nilson, Chris Peckham, Steven Swanson, Brian Baldwin, Joe Douglass, Charles Hanneken. SECOND ROW: Scott Richmond, Michael Mooney, Paul Schmitz, Bryan Jovick, Jarrod Reed, Joe Morgan, Brent Heckart. BACK ROW: Joe Bieser, Tim Phelan, Joseph Clemmer, Jamie Rees, Mark Zust II, Christopher Flieger. Bryan Vanderhoof.

Ithough it seemed as if Truman State University was nicely located right in the middle of the country, this relatively flat terrain made some students feel restless.

Since mountains were scarce in the Kirksville area, rock climbers struggled to find a place to practice. The Truman State Climbers found this to be a problem.

"Campus facilities are very limited," freshman Becky Blue said. "Basically you train as much as possible in facilities available on campus."

Freshman Ben Williams, president, said that it was a setback for the club to be located in the Midwest.

"Living in the Midwest, it's still an extreme sport," Williams said. "People think it's more dangerous than it really is."

Williams said that if the University was in Colorado where climbing was a popular activity, the club would have had no problem convincing the administration to build a wall.

Some members had the ingenuity to build their own rock climbing wall in their room because of the lack of facilities.

Members also scaled the outdoor cliffs at Wilton Climbing Area, outside of Columbia, Mo. Repeated practice was an important part of climbing.

"[Rock climbing] takes years of experience," Williams said. "You can't only practice it. It takes doing it over and over."

Safety was an important issue for the rock climbing club. Members learned about the proper ways to tie knots and other general information about climbing at their weekly meetings.

"You should never hit the walls before you have the basic information of what could keep you alive," Blue said.

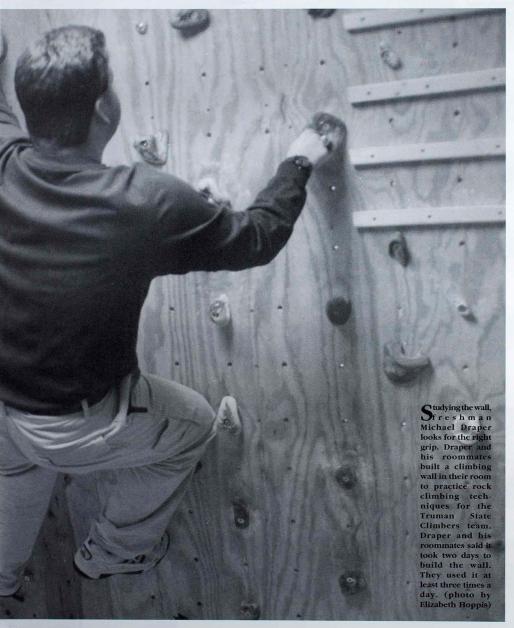
The club had 50-60 members and organized a web page that had information about their group. Membership was high because students said they enjoyed the challenge.

"Climbing is one of those sports where, given the opportunity, people would love to do it," Williams said.

By Rebecca Foster



The Truman State Climbers overcame many roadblocks to practice their skills.



Members of Sigma Delta Pi perform Miguel de Cervantes' play El Retablo de Las Maravillas. Sigma Delta Pi, a Spanish honor fraternity, used social activities as well as intellectual activities to promote Hispanic culture.



Realities of ... Sigma Delta Pi



"Sigma Delta Pi has enabled me to meet diverse people who share as great a love for the Spanish language and culture as I do."

Katie LaBarbera, president







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oreign Language clubs promoted greater awareness of languages and cultures. Each organization shared in this goal, but that was where the similarities ended.

Sigma Delta Pi, the Spanish honor fraternity, promoted cultural awareness of Hispanic culture around campus. The fraternity encour-

aged educational development in Spanish as well as chances to do things outside of the average classroom experience.

"We have an intellectual side as well as a social side," senior Katie LaBarbera, president, said. "Anyone can come and have fun."

The German Club's purpose was to explore the language and culture of Germany. Anyone with an interest in German could join. Although many students were enrolled in German classes, it was not a necessity.

"We run our meetings completely in English so anyone can come," sophomore Katie Smith, president, said.

The German Club involved members by showing videos, having presentations and involving exchange students from Germany. The students sold Advent calendars from Germany during the Christmas season. The club kept students interested with activities that promoted the culture and language of Germany.

"I am part German, which has been a part of my culture growing up, so it has been nice staying on top of the culture." Smith said.

Pi Delta Phi, the French honorary fraternity, spent time learning about French culture and language. French exchange students were able to meet with American students to help them learn about the French language and culture. Members also helped the students from France adjust to their new world at Truman State University.

Foreign language clubs allowed University students to take part in different experiences, different cultures and different languages.

By Colleen Brown

Campus

Members of Eta Sigma Phi, a classics honor fraternity, hold a meeting to discuss upcoming events. Such events included attending a conference for Eta Sigma Phi chapters around the nation. Eta Sigma Phi also planned activities to make the community more aware of Roman and Greek cultures. (photos submitted)

Т

ime spent gaining leadership skills, bonding with friends and growing as an organization was how many Truman State University groups utilized retreats.

Most organizations took retreats each semester and used the time to get away and to focus on their thoughts. A relaxing atmosphere

gave students a chance to set goals for the semester.

"Retreats provide direction and create objectives for the semester," senior Stacey George, Student Senate president, said.

Student Senate went to Mark Twain Lake for its fall retreat. Members did bonding and unity exercises and learned parliamentary procedure. The group stayed in Kirksville for its spring retreat and used this time to learn communication skills.

Religious organizations used retreats to grow as friends and to grow in spirituality.

Catholic Newman Center members traveled to Memphis, Mo., which gave students the chance to get to know each other on a different level and remember why the Newman Center was an important part of their lives.

"The retreat gives students a chance to get away from homework and deadlines for the night," junior Ken Hussey, president, said.

Retreats for the Student Activities Board included educational sessions that dealt with the budget, committee meetings and brainstorming.

"We have retreats for the betterment of the board," senior Ben Greer, SAB president, said. "The board is made up of 35 people. If they don't get along in the working environment, they don't get a lot accomplished."

Whether organizations stayed on campus or left Kirksville, students returned from retreats excited for a new semester with their group.

"People usually come back pretty pumped for the year," Hussey said.

By Colleen Brown

Time

M embers of Lutheran Student Fellowship canoe to shore during their annual retreat. The retreat took place at a Lutheran Camp near the Lake of the Ozarks. During their retreat, the members sang, made bonfires and studied the Bible.







t Camp Jo Ota, members of the Student Activities Board participate in a team-building exercise. The purpose of the exercise was for one member to lead a blind-folded member across a ball-covered area without falling. During retreats, SAB had many educational and brainstorming sessions, and teambuilding exercises. (photos submitted)

Realities of...Retreats

"We hope that it [a retreat] will bring the group together, and we will focus closer as friends and closer to God's word."



Elizabeth Scheperle, Lutheran Student Fellowship

Students, faculty and staff pulled together to make the United Way drive successful.





The United Way began its month-long fundraising drive on Oct. 1. A group of 10 students co-chaired by seniors Emily Salem and Susan Bertelsmeyer worked with the faculty and staff co-chairs Glen Giboney and Paulina Tramel to reach their goal of \$45,500.

The students had an individual goal of \$6,000. The fund-raising began with letters sent to the organizations on campus informing them of the drive. If the organization did not respond within three weeks, one of the members made a personal phone call and asked if they could attend one of the organization's meetings. Salem said she thought that this was a very good approach.

"I think that when we gave that kind of personal attention, that it really made people realize our goal and how important the cause really was," Salem said.

When the group attended meetings of organizations, they gave information about United Way and some of the causes that would receive their donations.

A food fast, in which students living on campus gave up their dinner on Oct. 19, helped raise money. For each meal given up, Sodexho Marriot Services donated \$1.55 to United Way. Some students gave a donation in place of giving up a meal.

Students also tried new methods of fund-raising. Students transformed the fountain outside the Student Union Building into the United Way Wishing Well. People walking by contributed by throwing in their loose change, which raised about \$160.

Every little bit helped the United Way drive and the student committee really took that message to heart.

"The student committee really did the work," Giboney said. "I can't say enough about how enthusiastic and energetic they were this year. Everyone was really pleased with this group."

The energy was obviously contagious throughout the campus because their goal of \$45,500 was surpassed as they reached a total of \$47,502.70.

"It was nice to see a small community come together for one common goal. There were signs all over town. Sometimes we as students are stuck in the bubble of Truman, but its really nice to get out into the community," Salem said.

By Beth McFadden

Sing

The Anointed

Minstrels energized

students with their

rhythmic gospel music

ongs of praise and worship filled the Activities Room as Truman State University's gospel choir, Unique Ensemble, paired up with The Anointed Min-

strels, a musical group from Chicago, on Oct. 3 to fill the spectators' ears with music and a message.

wish all churches had services like this," senior Carrie

Grantham said. "There's more crowd participation and spirituality involved. You feel more able to express yourself and get in touch with how you feel about [what's being sung]."

Many people watching the performance said they were not sure how to react to the rhythmic, high-energy music they were hearing. Conditioned by years of reserved

church behavior, many seemed almost surprised to see others clapping, singing along or even dancing as the choir sang.

"I think [the concert] went very well."

freshman LaJeanne Unique Ensemble and Grinnage, Unique Ensemble member. said. "God just showed up and showed out."

> The perfor mance gave insight into the purpose of gospel groups.

"I learned from them that a gospel choir isn't there just to entertain," junior Kenneth Martin, Unique Ensemble member, said. "The choir is there to minister to people, and the phrase they used was 'usher in the presence of the Lord to reach a higher spiritual plain."

By Andrew Ashbaugh





President's String Quartet

FRONT ROW: Kim Harris, Beth Boehme, Janelle Berg, Susan Nixon.



Pre-Veterinary Club

FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Green-president, Jennifer Duncan-vice president, Amanda Henderson-secretary, Amanda Angell-treasurer. BACK ROW: Erika Price-historian, Stacey Leonatti, Abby Risius, Rachel Rustad.



Members of The Anointed Minstrels sing praises in the form of gospel music at their concert with Unique Ensemble. The audience became very involved in gospel music, standing and singing with the songs. The Anointed Minstrels sang contemporary gospel music, as opposed to traditional gospel, which is more popular with young adults. (photo by Tinia Gray)

Perceptions. Realities Gospelmusic

* All gospel music sounded the same.

*Unique Ensemble sang a variety of gospel music.

Gospel music was for older generations.

*The group helped create a strong gospel atmosphere

among students.

Perceptions vs. Realities



PRISM

FRONT ROW: Leo Kirsch, Wendy Hehn, Melissa Hursman, Jennifer Wrightam. BACK ROW: Cabell Gathman, Itiolair Gates, John Halski, Brian Stock, Holly Hart.



Psi Chi

FRONT ROW: Regina Padberg, Janine Hall-historian, Kristi Russell-treasurer, Kristin Orf-president, Stephanie Thomsen-secretary, Laura Westhoff, Melissa Reese. SECOND ROW: Katie Cunningham, Cyria Canessa, Courtney Potts, Michelle Morrison, Abby Heckman, Nicole Nieters. THIRD ROW: Robert Jones, David Rogers, Evelyn Henderson, Heather Droste, Missie Brittain, Erin DeSutter, Katie Yoell. BACK ROW: Kimberly Simmons, Brigid Gutting, Kate Koenig, Megan Hollingsworth, Christina Armstrong, Jill Phemister, Scott Calhoun, Paula Fehrenbacher,







FRONT ROW: Richard Smith-president, Nathaniel Thwing-vice president, Amy Hall-secretary, Elizabeth Bosch-treasurer, Justin Fears, Janine Hall, Jessica Moe-historian. SECOND ROW: Lynn Giddings, Krists Kone, Stephanie Steinman, Mary Niehoff, Lauren Knowlton, Andrea Lipps. BACK ROW: Stephanie Selke, Julie Lanasa, Sean Casey, Brady Miller, Megan Meneely, Brandon Diehl.



Readers' Roundtable

FRONT ROW: Heather Fester-president, Al Weitz-faculty adviser, Ray Shell. BACK ROW: Sarah Naeger, Meg Wiechert, Joe Klug.



Mystery

ood, fun and mystery was the focus of the Mystery Dinner Theater produced by the Collegiate Music Educators National Conference (CMENC) on Oct. 17, at the First United Methodist Church.

Students, faculty and the Kirksville community watched the play and ate chili as they raised money for CMENC members. Members used the money for the Missouri Music Educators Association Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks in January.

"The chili supper is a fundraiser," junior Kim Harris said. "The skit is a riot."

The theatre production "Phantom Menace," written by junior Eric Veile, was a take-off of "Phantom of the Opera." The play began with strange happenings in Baldwin Hall that led two professors and a detective to investigate the problems.

Since music majors produced and acted in the play, they thought a musical seemed

appropriate. They incorporated comedy into the skit so everyone could enjoy it.

"The skit basically shows what you have to put up with being a music major," junior Ken Lederle said. "Though everyone can get the jokes, we mainly cater to music majors."

"The Phantom Menace" ended when the investigators discovered that a professor caused all of the mysterious happenings in Baldwin Hall.

"We usually try to get the faculty involved as the bad guy," senior Claudine Baehr said.

The chili supper lasted three and a half hours, which allowed the actors to perform the play four times throughout the evening.

Approximately 50 people attended and CMENC earned about \$300.

By Colleen Brown



ROTC Colorguard/Cannoneers



Russian Club

FRONT ROW: SFC Scott McCranie, Tina Anshus-commander, Christina Truesdaleexecutive officer, Katie Spiegel, Melanie Spiegel. BACK ROW: Amanda Current, Aislinn Clinch, Matthew Williams, Patrick LaShell, Michael Gillen, Susan Lojewski, Audrey Gilmore. FRONT ROW: John Hilton, Jessica Dobbins, Heidi Lorimor, Holley Hansen.

Changing Names

changing the name of Pre-Physicians Organization (PPO) to the American Medical Students Association (AMSA) brought more money and opportunities for students participating in the Truman State University's chapter.

PPO changed its name to AMSA in May 1999. This change allowed the local PPO chapter to become a national organization. This national status meant that University students were eligible for benefits such as career contacts, clinical experience, and grants for new programs.

"It gives us more opportunities to get clinical experience, grants and money to do new programs," junior Katie Nielsen, AMSA president, said.

Nielsen said the organization received a \$200 grant from the national organization to start a substance abuse prevention program in the Kirksville area. Members geared the program towards middle school pupils, and Uni

versity students ran the seminar.

"Before, our budget was always kind of tight and we couldn't do a lot of big projects," Nielsen said. "But now we actually have money to look at bigger things."

Being a member of a national organization broadened the network of contacts for premedical students.

Aside from all of the changes and opportunities the name switch provided, most aspects of the organization remained the same. AMSA was open to any student preparing to enter the health care field, although AMSA's focus was on premedical students.

AMSA continued many of PPO's activities. It sponsored the Homecoming 5K Run and participated in the "Adopt a Grandparent" program at Kirksville Manor Care Center. Members also applied for clinical experience positions at Northeast Regional Medical Center, where they shadowed doctors.

By Lena Hartley



Ryle Hall Senate

FRONT ROW: William Barfield, Megan Parkhurst-historian, Missy Burger-president, Kelly Meyer-treasurer, Ryan Emnett-vice president, SECOND ROW: Megan Chambers, Chrissy Cervetto, Lana Todd, Christina Veit. THIRD ROW: Nichole Grasch, Matt Hutchinson, Kari Schuster, Renae Holzem, Lauren Kreis. BACK ROW: Elizabeth Hahn, Miranda Feldmann, Graham Elliott, Brian Kennedy, Elizabeth Edgar.



Shotokan Karate Club

FRONTROW: Sara Stites, Melissa Mayo-president, Andy Kuhlmann-instructor, Donald Bindner-faculty adviser, Carey Michenfelder-secretary, Linda Bindner. BACK ROW-Alisha Newton, Jason Schafer, John Bisges, Jennifer Watson, Emily Hunnicutt.









Sigma Alpha Iota

FRONT ROW: Rebecca Jacobs, Erin McAlvany, Andrea Louscher-president, Katie Dallam-vice president, Jennifer Duncan-secretary, Beth Hengeler. SECOND ROW: Danielle Dearinger, Chelsea Gerrish, Melissa Shriver, Ashley Davison, Dodi Wear, Tonya Pearce, Kae Dee Rinderknecht, Krista Hediger. BACK ROW: Wendy Leenerts, Christina Truesdale, Liz Hicks, Holly Lang, Jennifer DeHart, Carrie Bubb, Jennie Brann, Shannon Klepper.

FRONT ROW: Amie Walter-treasurer, Rebecca Abdon, Tabitha Myers, Cheri Manzotti, Mary Ziegler-president, Lori Feldkamp, Claudine Baehr, Kim Harris. SECOND ROW: Christine Banaskavich, Amy Bauer, Becky Salaban, Emily Francis, Emily Nelson, Jennifer Knape, Angela Glascock, Sally Noedel, Kimberly Harter. THIRD ROW: Amanda Southard, Lori Logsdon, Erin Russom, Gwen Boggess, Sarah Bowerman, Katy Anselmo, Brandy Lawrence, Kimberlee Mastrangelo. BACK ROW: Nikki Cook, Tara Eby, Erica Oborny, Jill Corbett, Ann Hier, Mary Dean, Missy Prinster.

AMSA75

Tunior Katie Svoboda works the equipment at the radio station to ensure students get music and news information. Even though the station experienced difficulties with its equipment, it managed to get back on air and on track. (photo by Tina Patel)

Perceptions vs. Realities

KTRM

- * They only played hard rock.
- * Only communication majors worked there.
- * No one really listened to the
- * They played a variety of music.
- * Anyone who wanted to work there could.
- * Audience participation



Sigma Beta Delta

FRONT ROW: Stephen Allen-faculty adviser, Debi Cartwright, Julia Bender, Donald Wray, Dana Roark, Maureen Pardo, Cassandra Anders, Anne Lueken. SECOND ROW: Kendra McGraw, Molly Trauernicht, Debra Kerby, Kathy Mallon, Sandra Fleak, Natalie Lischer, Michelle Lesley, Julie Meitz, Pam Dangremond. BACK ROW: Jewelee Stoffle, Matt Doyle, Nicole Winters, Jason Savage, Carrie Reynolds, Daniel Murphy, Jason Head, Mary Giovannini.





Sigma Chi Delta

FRONT ROW: Sara Williams, Casey Henrichs, Sara Wills-vice president, Denys Freyling-president, Julie Whitley-secretary, Andrea Benton. SECOND ROW: Jes sica Schmidt, Leah Cotorceanu, Crystal Schrage, Erin Kelly, Mandy Hanson DeNel Holliday, Tina Anshus. THIRD ROW: Cassie Clements, Elizabeth Benner Terri Durst, Kristen Sonderman, Sarah Bitter, Erin Donovan. BACK ROW Brooke Hanson, Amy Bitter, Julie Krzyzanowski, Samantha McGrievy, Nora Haffner.



Back Air

KTRM worked hard to over-

come mysterious occurrences

that temporarily made their

equipment unusable

hen students returned to campus, they tuned their radio dials to KTRM 88.7 FM, but only dead air greeted them.

The silence continued until Sept. 30 when music filled the waves again. KTRM's music director, senior Amberly Lebeck, dis-

covered the problem after classes ended in May 1999.

"We have to check certain numbers every day, during every shift," Lebeck said. "The numbers were low,

so I reported it to the engineer. The next day, he shut us down."

The sudden failure of the tower led people to believe that lightning struck the tower, but that proved to be untrue.

"We never found any arcing that says it was lightning," Clifton Brown, video engineer, said. "I've been doing broadcast for 20 years, and this is the strangest thing I've ever seen. Transmitters don't just break."

Sophomore Luke Willman, KTRM station manager, said the most difficult task was figuring out what was wrong.

"We thought it was the transmission line," Willman said.

The station had the transmission line repaired, but the tower still did not function properly.

"We sent the transmitter to Indiana to be repaired," Willman said.

They also replaced KTRM's antenna.

"We took one part [of the antenna] apart and put it back together," Brown said. "It worked. It's just one of those strange things."

The station took precautions to avoid the problems in the future.

By Dawn Volmert



Sigma Chi Delta

FRONT ROW: Candace Veit, Cindi Lanners, Amanda Stephens, Crissy Cahill, Beth Wayant, Ellen Diedrichsen-chaplain. SECOND ROW: Rebecca Shabel, Holly Estrem, Laura Anderson, Jennifer Schaefer, Kelly Campbell, Lis Oberlin. THIRD ROW: Lisa Mues, Tara Hermann, Sarah Brown, Joy Hutcherson, Susan Lojewski, Katie Ware. BACK ROW: Lindsay Livingston, Laurie Pierce, Katie Smith, Cyndi Ott-historian, Breen Griffith.



Sigma Delta Pi

FRONT ROW: Sherry Tyhurst-secretary, Amanda Kliefoth-vice president, Katie LaBarbera-president, Susan Doss-treasurer. BACK ROW: Erin Summers, Lillian Jewell, Eric Jewell, Jason Thompson, Rebecca Gjesfjeld, Trisha Lewis. new publication hoped to be added to Truman State University's already existing media. This publication was different—it focused on Christian beliefs and theologies.

"I was talking to friends and we thought starting a Christian newspaper would be a good idea," senior Patrick Hill, co-editor, said. "I thought it would be something good for the campus."

In order to publicize and get word out about Lighthouse, Hill posted flyers around campus, encouraging people who were interested to e-mail him.

"I saw a flyer in McClain [Hall]," sophomore Andy Ashbaugh said. "I like to write and was curious about writing on the religious side. I'm strongly Lutheran and thought I'd give it a try and see if it was something I liked."

While the constitution waited for approval, members of the *Lighthouse* discussed the details of their publication.

"We're going to try and reach whoever will read it," juniorSaraBaker, co-editor, said. "Idon't think we've ever had a Christian paper before. Through it maybe people can see what Christian organizations are on campus, or some of the reasons people are or are not Christians. We just really want to bring people together."

Although the publication could not start without official organization status, members held meetings to organize the details of the newspaper and select the issues they wanted to focus on.

The group wanted to include sections with Christian perspectives as well as theological arguments and a calendar of events, Hill said.

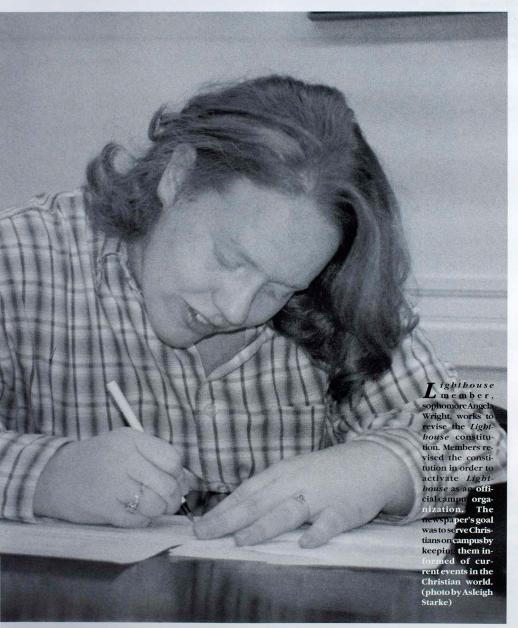
With such a broad spectrum of topics being covered and presented to a diverse community, the *Lighthouse* staff knew they would face many challenges with their writing. They also wanted to maintian a good Christian image in their publication.

"We need to watch what we print," Baker said.
"We don't want to advertise in places that sell liquor or porn or anything. We are also watching what goes in the paper to start out, we don't want anything too off base."



By Stephanie Allder

A newspaper brought extra insight into the Christian community on campus.



Shotokan members prepare for an exhibition for their recruitment. Throughout the semester members met on Tuesdays and Thursdays for an hour and a half to study karate. During class, members learned techniques for physical conditioning, mental alertness and self defense.



Realities of...Martial Arts



"Any martial art will require interest and patience. It is much like learning music in that you practice regularly and progress over time."

Don Bindner, Visiting Asst. Professor of Math







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en years ago two former Truman State University professors decided to use their knowledge to teach others. According to a 1995 *Index* article, both were black belts in Shotokan karate and formed the Shotokan Karate Club.

Unlike other martial arts that focused more on fighting, Shotokan taught defense first.

Instead of punching and kicking students learned the importance of breathing, focusing, stances and blocks.

"Shotokan karate stands for old school karate, where focus is important and mastering a skill takes many repetitions," junior Melissa Mayo, Shotokan president, said.

New members were automatically classified as white belts, and at the end of the semester had the opportunity to test for a higher belt.

Near the end of each semester, the club invited an outside instructor (sensei) to teach an all-day clinic. Students learned that no one could be perfect in karate because it was a life-long process.

"A person must be willing to strive for constant and never-ending improvement," senior Andy Kuhlmann, current sensei, said.

Members of the club encouraged each other and used their own experience to help others. Don and Linda Bindner, both instructors at the University, joined the club in the spring of 1999. Their membership created a stronger bond with students.

"I have a better connection to the lives that students actually lead," Don Bindner, visiting assistant professor of mathematics, said. "They talk about issues and cares that would never come up in the classroom."

Shotokan members learned that patience was only part of being successful.

"Dedication, humility, a desire to learn and a ready spirit are all good characteristics to have when hoping to succeed in Shotokan," Mayo said.

By Carey Michenfelder

Basic delense

Junior yellow belts Jason Schafer and Leslea Ready demonstrate basic punches to the chest during karate class. Shotokan students were taught to use strong stance and breathing to add force to their punches. Along with kicks and blocks, punches were essential to learning defensive routines called kata. (photos by Ashleigh Starke) F

reshmen piled into Baldwin Auditorium their first week at Truman State University to see the CHOICE program. Though most were unsure of what to expect or why they were even there, an hour later they left with an idea of what was ahead thanks to Students Together Educating Peers (S.T.E.P.).

S.T.E.P.'s goal was to educate the student body on issues that could arise during their college years. The issues discussed ranged from friendships to homework to sexual assault

"We cover issues like harassment and sexual assault in order to make the students more aware of what is going on," sponsor Joe Hamilton said. "We are also doing training with our new members on diversity issues. Future programs will include these as well as our current topics."

The group was open to anyone. After students applied, S.T.E.P. members interviewed and selected the new members. Students spent an hour and a half each week in training for one semester. Training included a variety of activities to prepare students for their upcoming duties.

Senior Kim Frankie and her group took a trip to a hospital to view the rape examination room. Frankie said that visit impacted her the most.

Members met on a weekly basis for a business meeting. They spent time discussing upcoming events and programs that they felt the student body would enjoy and benefit from.

"The one thing that is frustrating about S.T.E.P. is that we are not well known on campus, so that makes it hard to get feedback on what the students want," Frankie said. "We have very little exposure, making it hard to know what new things we can do."

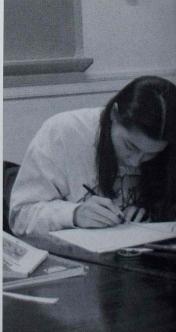
Members had a range of motivations for joining. Some were intrigued by the CHOICE program and others had experiences in their own life that led them to the decision to apply.

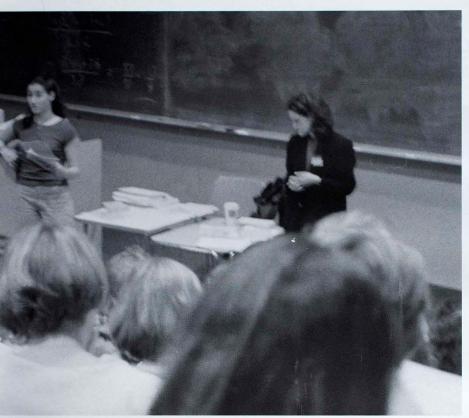
By Elizabeth Hoppis

Step

Freshman Meghana Patel takes an assessment test during a training session for F.T.E.P. Guest speakers often brought activities for the trainees to participate in to help them learn more about themselves and others. Training for new S.T.E.P. members lasted for one semester. After that period, the members attended regular business meetings to keep their programs updated and to set dates for presentations.







Dwyer and sophomore Kelly Martin give a Students Together Educating Peers presentation for Alpha Gamma Delta. Members gave presentations to various groups throughout the year. The programs presented to groups like AGD often focused on safety around campus and the importance of being aware of one's surroundings. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

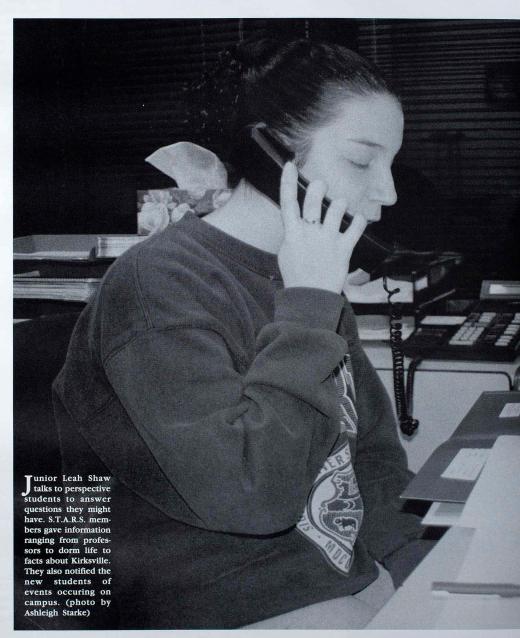
Realities of...S.T.E.P.

"I have had friends in my life who have been sexually assaulted and didn't even know it. After seeing the CHOICE program I knew that I would like to be a part of S.T.E.P. Overall, I like that it gives me the chance to educate others."



Kim Frankie, member

Student Ambassadors and S.T.A.R.S. personalized the student recruitment process.





tudent Ambassadors and Students Active in Recruiting Students (S.T.A.R.S.) were two vol-Junteer campus organizations that served as links between prospective and current Truman State University students.

Ambassadors gave tours to prospective students and their families when they visited campus. S.T.A.R.S. was a program in which University students called high school seniors who had applied or been accepted to the University.

Michelle Ralston, Student Ambassador adviser, said she started out wanting to make sure people got a good impression of the University. The program worked on a very rigid schedule. One hundred and twenty student volunteers were required to show up one hour per week to give a tour. Tours left the admissions office every half hour between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. regardless of the weather conditions.

Ambassadors were selected based on leadership and scholarship, campus knowledge, school spirit and a helpful attitude.

A committee of Ralston and fellow admissions counselors selected the Ambassadors through an application and interview process. There were with 50 open spots for the following school year. The number of applications received exceeded the available spots which made it a competitive job.

S.T.A.R.S. was strictly a volunteer organization in which any student could participate. Senior Reggi Padberg joined S.T.A.R.S. her sophomore year because she wanted to interact with prospective students and learn more about the University.

"I like talking with people, and I don't mind talking to strangers on the phone," Padberg said. "The best calls are students who are really interested in Truman, who ask a lot about social life and are personable."

The purpose of the calls was to answer any questions prospective students had about the University.

Kathy Rieck, dean of admissions and records, said that S.T.A.R.S. was a vital part of the recruitment process.

"S.T.A.R.S has helped personalize our recruiting program," Rieck said. "With the great number of applicants, the admissions staff needs S.T.A.R.S to help meet the needs of potential students."

By Tinia Gray

Money

oney did not grow on trees, but it grew in the hands of the Investments Club members.

The Funds Allotment Council gave the Investments Club \$2,000 in 1997 to invest any way it wanted.

The club invested the entire \$2,000 with Kenny's Securities, a St. Louis based financial firm. All decisions to buy or sell stocks were made by members at weekly meetings.

The club's stockbroker, Chuck Clark, helped members decide on trades by giving advice and speaking to the club.

Ing advice and speaking to the club.

Stock trading was a big responsibility.

"Gaining experience buying and selling stocks and working with a financial firm is important," sophomore Ben Coles, treasurer, said.

The club profited from the invested money and met its goal. The goal was to have the stocks the club members chose increase as much as or more than the Dow

Jones industrial average.

The club members also participated in competitions against each other.

"Members pick stocks at every meeting," sophomore Jonathan Reed, vice president, said. "The winner is the member whose stocks have increased the most at the end of the semester."

Members also participated in the Investment Challenge on the Internet, a national competition which gave each participating group \$500,000 to invest.

Learning to invest was important for everyone, not just finance majors.

"People of every major are encouraged to join," junior Andy Kem, president, said. "All members are eligible to vote on which stocks the club should buy and sell."

Understanding the stock market became increasingly important in the business world and for individuals.

By Jenny Fadler



Sigma Gamma Rho

FRONT ROW: April Howard-treasurer/historian, Schevone Bell-financial secretary, Alana Butler-vice president/secretary, Teneshia Milligan-president.



Sigma Kappa

FRONTROW: Bridgette Goodwin-secretary, Chris Forcelledo, Nicole Baker, Heather Rasmussen-vice president, Pam Dangremond-president, Stacey Ludy, Jill Quigley, Mary Leitner-secretary, Ryane Thomas, Erin McHenry. SECOND ROW: Jocelyn Warner, Karen Becherer, Jenn Eatherton, Julie Thomas, Lauren Strange, Emily Salem, Tara Seelig, Brooke Clayton, Rachel Wink. THIRD ROW: Tricia Goen, Becca Warner, Colleen McDaniel, Michelle Scarry, Tara Gasaway, Emily Etchason, Mandee Mitchell, Liz Lamperti, Jennifer Robinson, Rachel Timm. BACK ROW: Lauren DeSantis, Sara Cunningham, Genny Kluesner, Nicole Kriegshauser, Kim Ruff, Katie Jeffries, Emily Price, Cassy Dominik, Sara Guethle.



Freshman Joseph Brooks talks to members of the Investments Club. The Investments Club members met their goal of having their stocks increase as much or more than the Dow Jones. Members attended weekly meetings during which they traded and sold stock on the New York Stock Exchange. (photo by Tinia Gray)

Perceptions vs. Realities Investments Club

- * They only talked about investing and the stock exchange.
- * You had to be a finance major to participate.
- * The Invest ments Club invested real m o n e y .
- * People of all majors could join.

Perceptions vs. Realities



Sigma Kappa

FRONT ROW: Kimberly Creer, Shannon Price, Sarah Freund, Jennifer Ploch, Anna Bancroft, Corinne Brinkerhoff, Lisa Reichard, Alison Rubach, Tricia Stucky, Shannon Bruns, SECOND ROW: Allison Bruns, Viviana Jensen, Angie Bangert, Alice Moore, Jessica Saucier, Laura Ronsick, Angie Carney, Moira Truesdell, Dacia Heaton, Emily Keen, Brooke Roncke. BACK ROW: Emily Hankins, Sarah Michael, Jessica Jennings, Angie Graham, Jessica Cinco, Katie Stacy, Jenifer Zurovsky, Elizabeth Tate, Becky Russell, Kate Lenhart, Bryna Buch.



Sigma Lambda Beta

FRONT ROW: Jonathan Brown-president, Rudy Arredondo-vice president, Luke Gotttreasurer, Jason Carlion-secretary: BACK ROW: Alex Lamb, William Clark, David de la Fuente, Jose Herrera-adviser.





Sigma Lambda Gamma

 $FRONTROW: Iris\ Del\ Rosario-treasurer, Jean ette\ Martinez-vice\ president, Juson da\ De\ Rouen-secretary.$



Sigma Phi Epsilon

FRONT ROW: Jason Hannaman, Gregory Christian, Shawn Waldrop, Chris Minnischaplain, Matthew Franker-secretary, John Ayres, Luke Trautwein, Rhys Boschert. SECOND ROW: Edwin De Los Santos, Corey Then, Pat Fitzsimons, Neil Burton, Kris Harre, Chris Meyers, Brett Grego, Nathan Ziebold, Adam Nadler. BACK ROW: Jeffrey Gloe, Kevin Oakleaf, Anthony Germano, Gary Bokermann, Bob Pruett, Matthew Gross, Brett Stone, Justin Bruegenhemke.





Sigma Chi Delta received recognition and a new home from Truman State University. Sigma Chi Delta received a chapter room and six dorm rooms in Brewer Hall in the fall of 1999.

The immediate gains were the respect and recognition of the other sororities on campus. Sigma Chi Delta was the only local sorority at the University, which made it unique among the other sororities on campus.

Sigma Chi Delta felt the unity and cooperation from the other sororities.

"It has really been a positive experience with other sororities," senior Denys Freyling, president, said. "They are very supportive."

Members of other sororities had a positive take on Sigma Chi Delta living in Brewer.

"It really promotes Panhellenic unity," Beth McCracken, Alpha Gamma Delta member, said. The move not only improved Panhellenic unity, sorority members said that their residential quarters brought a sense of togethemess within the sorority itself.

"On any given day, you can walk into the chapter room and see your sisters that you would not normally see regularly," freshman DeNel Holliday, Sigma Chi Delta member, said.

The University informed the sorority in the spring of 1999 that the rooms would be available. Five members were able to move from their original halls.

Fundraisers helped pay for the other rooms and furnished the chapter room. Members said the chapter room on campus allowed the sorority to become closer.

"There was nowhere for us to gather on campus," Freyling said. "We have a good opportunity for better sisterhood."

By Peter Maurer



Sigma Phi Epsilon



Sigma Sigma Sigma

FRONT ROW: Christopher Watts, Gregory Dessau, Adam Rees, John Friederich, Andrew Kopp, Ben Strohschein, Keith Reynolds. SECOND ROW: Adam Troutwine, Michael Bourneuf, Michael Wohlschlaeger, Brad Parker, Curt Plumpe, Chris Rahe, David Simmons, Doug Verby. BACK ROW: Samuel Merritt, Chad Hauskins, Nathan Owings, Erich Podzinski, James Blackburn, Nicholas Hilliard, Joseph Webb.

FRONT ROW: Becky Bruns, Angie Kramer, Leslie Miles, Julia Bender-president, Kelly Koboldt-vice president, Joy Jackson, Ginger Fuller. SECOND ROW: Audra Fanning, Corinne Carter, Erin Schwartz, Amanda Reilly, Courtney Potts, Summer Stoll. THIRD ROW: Heather Carson, Erin Flachs, Jacque Neuwochner, Katie Clauss, Sarah Rau, Erica Wilson, Sarah Harrison. BACK ROW: Krista Bradford, Melissa Hoven, Lisa Dotzenrod, Ashley Nassau, Angie Schmidt, Beth Koop, Julie Mullen, Lori Gruettemeyer.

Aspiring to Blossom

Hifty-one women, one common dream. The possibility of becoming a nationally recognized organization made the women of Prim Roses work even harder to reach their goal.

Prim Roses wanted to colonize another national social sorority at Truman State University. Founders of the Prim Roses wanted to accommodate the growing number of women wanting to be in a sorority.

Senior Jenn Payne said the Prim Roses went to the University's Panhellenic Council to submit their proposal to become a national sorority in the spring of 1998 and were told to return after recruitment the following semester. The council also contacted the Prim Roses over the summer and asked them to complete a list of tasks before they returned.

"We were given a list of things we needed to do," Payne said. "We established a philanthropy, raised funds for Prevent Child Abuse Missouri and established an education chair, which involved requiring study hall hours and closely tracking our members' GPAs. We also held several sisterhood events for strengthening the group."

The Prim Roses returned to the council with their proposal in September. Council members took an official vote and told the Prim Roses there was not enough interest on campus to support another sorority.

"It was thought that it was too soon after the recent loss of the Alpha Phi sorority," senior Susan Bertlesmeyer, Panhellenic Council president, said. "At that time another sorority would hurt the current chapters because of the decline in numbers. It didn't seem that Truman could support a sixth sorority."

Bertlesmeyer said the denial did not mean the decision could not change in the future. Sororities in the past had to try several times before being accepted. The council said the Prim Roses' proposal could be reconsidered every year.

By Ginny Windels



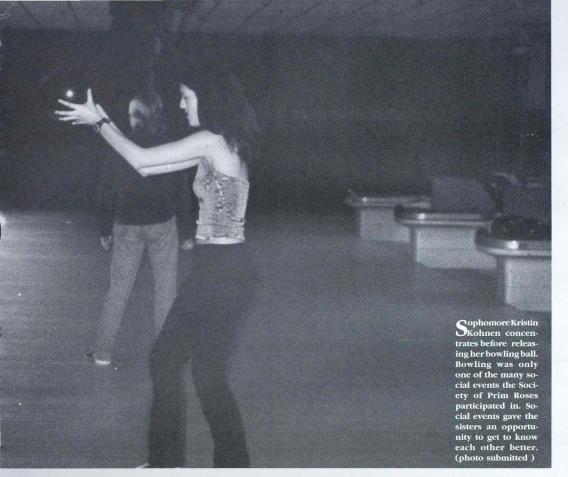
Sigma Sigma Sigma

FRONT ROW: Kristin Dohack, Monique Funkenbusch, Lindsay Strecker, Jennifer Howser, Hayley Williams. SECOND ROW: Michelle McFarland, Samantha Offutt, Britni Kaelin, Tiffanie Sachs, Courtney Walker, Joanna Casey, Lisa Campbell, Missy Kersting. BACK ROW: Shannon Hellner, Laura Elder, Andrea Young, Jenni Stewart, Justine Brooks, Angela Pisoni, Bethany Schmich.



Sigma Tau Gamma

FRONT ROW: Tim Spencer, Adam Winfrey, Andrew Roth-president, Jamie Oswald-vice president, Gerard Giammanco, Matthew Heeren, Michael Hoskovec-secretary, Andrew Schroll. SECOND ROW: Steve Schmich, Thomas Spencer IV, Brian Concagh, Matt Roth, Craig Tushaus, Steve Park, Bryan Traughber, Mario Ribas. BACK ROW: Brant McCoy, Kevin Whiteside, James Campbell, Jeffrey Hangge, Joshua Grahlman, Christopher Meisenbacher, Alan Schreiner, Kenneth Rosenkoetter.





Sigma Tau Gamma



Society of Professional Journalists

FRONT ROW: William Stone, Wyatt Roberts, Jeremy Bono, Scott Wilbers, Ryan Shreve, David Varon, Jason Brinkman, Christopher Lehmuth. SECOND ROW Matthew Gervase, Joshua Diehl, John Koeller, Benjamin Pritchett, Richard East, Joseph Voss, Joe Duepner, Matthew Britt. THIRD ROW: Adam Biggs, Jeffrey Wolf, Alan Hillier, Justin Imhof, Blake Padberg, Matt Barnhart, Kevin Mitchell, Justin Wurm. BACK ROW: Brett Coomer, William Wingbermuehle, Jake Maier, Brian Roscoe, John Adrianse, Andrew Blandford, Mike Smith.

FRONT ROW: Lizzie Schuerman-president, Shawn Slick-vice president, Lora England-secretary, Joe Klug-treasurer, Karon Speckman-adviser, SECOND ROW: Sarah Dwiggins, Jennifer Henry, Katie Svoboda, Rhonda Rathke. BACK ROW: James Roach, Laura VanByssum, Adam Gebhardt.

Construction worker Dennis Bricker plasters the dry wall in the Alpha Kappa Lambda house. Bricker worked on the gym, which the AKAs used to host parties and group functions. The city of Kirksville passed an ordinance limiting the size of a room that could be built within a fraternity house. (photo by Tinia Gray)

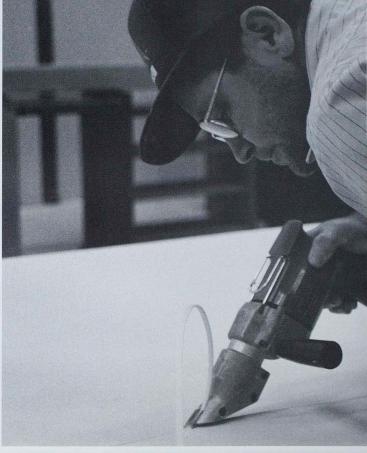
Perceptions vs. Realities

Fraternity Housing

*Fraternity houses are only for partying * Meetings are heldat fraternity houses, along with recreational

*Fraternity houses are unorganized activities
* Some are catered and have house rules

Perceptions vs. Realities





Society of the Prim Roses

FRONT ROW: M. Hanff, J. Gallichio, T. Boyle, J. Payne-president, J. Davis, Mandi Casper, M. Pattavina. SECOND ROW: N. Rybold, T. Carroll, K. Payne, T. Toedebusch, R. Fodor, M. Timme, J. Knopf, J. Picart. THIRD ROW: M. Clickner, L. Laton, M. Barry, K. Russell, A. Stephens, S. Snowgren, K. Nelson, J. Geringer, K. Soaib. BACK ROW: A. Heeter, E. DeBaene, M. Rochr, C. Boren, A. Gifford, R. Schriewer, W. Weatherford.



Student Activities Board

FRONT ROW: Paul Stock, Nathan Curl, Michelle Bandy-treasurer, Christy Truesdell vice president, Benjamin Greer-president, Theresa Doll-secretary, Doug Daubert adviser, Jason Turk. SECOND ROW: Allyson Wilson, Meagan Lippincott, Amand-Eggers, Alicia Ito, Hayley Henrikson, Kara Diefenderfer, Mary Leitner, Emily Salem Lucas Carpenter. THIRD ROW: Greg Thompson, Jon Stegen, Kim Tempel, Morgan Peckosh, Neesheet Parikh, Erin Smith, Kristin Kohnen, Alice Moore, Dacia Heaton BACK ROW: Turk Behlmann, Joshua Ussary, Brett Thompson, Jon Best, Dalton Paley Joshua Mareschal, Matt Fink, Brandon Sather, Matt Birkel.



Housing

Although delayed, the

completion of the new

Alpha Kappa Lambda

bouse was widely antici-

pated among brothers.

lpha Kappa Lambda members hoped to start a trend with the completion of their new house. They wanted Greeks to become more unified with their brothers and sisters.

"I think it's going to help promote the Greek system here at TSU, while also continuing the success of Alpha Kappa Lambda," senior Jeff Locker said. "I hope it will set a precedent for other fraternities

to get houses." The completion of the house fell behind schedule, but AKL members said this was only a small inconve-

nience. "The delay was caused by city issues and typical construction problems," senior David Boennighausen said.

The fraternity rented alternative

housing for AKL members during the fall semester. Chapter alumnus funded the construction and alternative hous-

"The delay is alright because we're

living together," freshman Matt Gallo said. "As long as we're living with our brothers it doesn't matter."

The AKL house was the first new fraternity house in

the University's history. The house contained 17 resident rooms which housed 34 residents in a suite system. Each suite had a bathroom and study room adjoining the two bedrooms. Bedrooms were furnished with beds and ward-

The addition of the new AKL house brought a new image to the Greek system. By Jessica Sausto



Student Ambassadors

FRONT ROW: Katie Jeffries, Valerie Hopkins, Michele Ralston-adviser, Kristin Orfpresident, Kristi Russell, Kiya Willis, Jennifer Payne, Kenneth Hussey-vice president, Matthew Gorton, Jen Eatherton. SECOND ROW: Susan Bertelsmeyer, Lauran Vehige, Erin Kelly, Jenna Meyer, Heidi Ruhl, Erin Lesczynski, Larissa Ball, Rolena Hadwiger, Rebecca French, Anne Chopin, Laura Crandal. THIRD ROW: Mary Leitner, Missie Brittain, Stacy Wright, Adrianna Mayson, Ryan Miller, Elizabeth Benner, Lizzie Schuerman, Kathryn Astrack, Kristen Riebeling, Laura Westhoff. BACK ROW: Corinne Brinkerhoff, Eric Reckamp, Ryan Brueckmann, Kevin Heyen, Matt Ruhl, Melissa

Forbes, Jaclyn Hentges, Erica Oborny, Karin Wirsig, Jessica Linsday.



Student Council for Exceptional Children

FRONT ROW: Jessica Gaskill-president, Mary Beth McCorkle-vice president, Sara Schmitt-secretary. BACK ROW: Kirk Kasicki, Richard Smith-treasurer, Mandy Peters, Barbara Heard-adviser

A ccording to the America's Blood Center's web page, the United States uses roughly 40,000 pints of blood a day.

This figure was staggering considering only five percent of the country's population donated blood. The Truman State University community donated the most blood in the Northeast Missouri area.

"Here at Truman we're the largest provider of blood to the Red Cross of any organization north of I-70," said Royce Cook, University blood drive coordinator. "They really do depend on the students here to fill a big need. If it weren't for our students doing this, I don't know where the blood would come from."

Cardinal Key, Blue Key and Alpha Phi Omega each held one blood drive during the year, while the Christian Campus Fellowship sponsored an annual summer drive. From June 1999 to April 2000, these campus blood drives yielded a total of 2,002 pints of blood for the American Red Cross.

"This year we were really surprised," senior Tim Sandfort, Blue Key blood drive chairman, said. "Our fall drive was the biggest at Truman in six years. Every pint donated helps save three people, so it's really beneficial that we get that much support from the student body."

Although the donation process could be uncomfortable, most donors said the rewards outweighed any complications.

"Once people start to give, they want to continue doing it," Cook said. "It is such a neat experience because you're giving something that's going to help someone else recover from an illness or help save someone else's life. I just think it's one of the greatest things a person can do—sharing a part of themselves to help someone else."

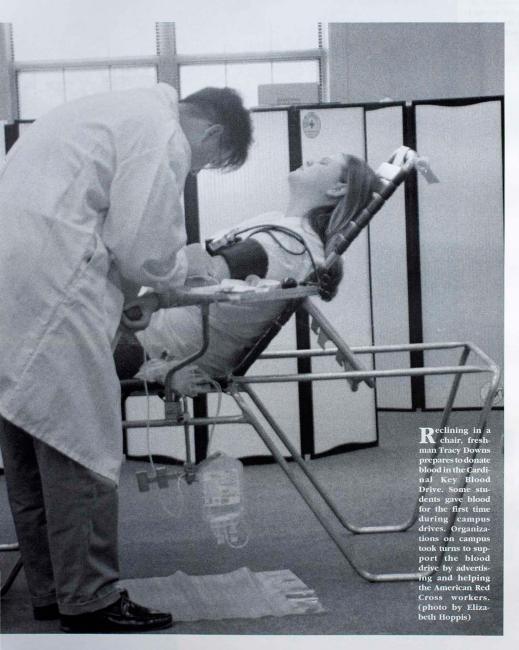
The University also held a bone marrow drive, sponsored by several organizations on campus, to find potential donors for the Heart of America Bone Marrow Donor Registry.

Bone marrow donations were vital to the treatment of leukemia, and demand was always high. Tissue matches were difficult to find, especially among minorities. The drive's goal was to increase the number of minority donors.

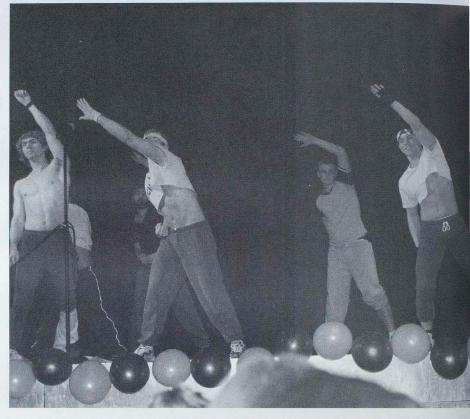
By Andrew Ashbaugh



Students helped the nation by giving a part of themselves to help someone else.



Contestants in the Big Man on Campus competition perform a dance to music from Flasbdance. The Delta Zeta social sorority arranged rehearsals for the men to learn the routine and prepare for the event.



Realities of...BMOC



"I thought it was a tremendous honor that Alpha Sigma Gamma sponsored me and thought I had a chance to win the competition and win money towards their philanthropy."

Ben Jankowski, contestant





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udience members roared in laughter as he strutted across stage dressed as Elvis. He curled his lip, shook his pelvis and tried his hardest to be the Big Man on Campus.

"There are three rounds in the competition—talent, swimwear and formalwear/question and answer—that the judges score based on

creativity, audience appeal, taste and presentation," said sophomoreMaryAnn McKenzie, BMOC chairman. "The Delta Zetas put on the competition to raise money for our national philanthropy."

Ten percent of the proceeds went to the philanthropy of the winner's organization. Many of the men used the contest as a fun way to raise money for their philanthropy.

"I like the fact that the whole thing is a tongue-in-cheek version of beauty pageants," junior contestant Dan Rueth said. "Where else are you going to find guys willing to do a solo scene from Romeo and Juliet, sing a song about lunch or dress like the Little Mermaid?"

Lots of preparation went into the competition to make it a success. Delta Zeta asked local businesses to donate gifts to the winner of each round, found judges, publicized and set rehearsals.

"The Delta Zeta girls scheduled practices for the guys to learn the group dances," senior contestant Ben Greer said. "Other than that, I stayed up late several nights working on my swimsuit and talent."

The contestants were members of various organizations across campus, and the event allowed them to entertain and meet new people.

After all of the events, judges crowned Rueth as the Big Man on Campus.

"Winning the competition was a very big, yet very pleasant surprise," Rueth said. "It's obvious that all the work Delta Zeta put in the BMOC competition was worthwhile. Honestly, there were so many talented guys out there that anyone of them could have won."

By Elizabeth Hoppis



Inior Tyler Rauert shows off his bathing suit for the swimwear portion of the Big Man On Campus competition. Participants spent hours practicing talents and developing wardrobes for the event. Many tried to come up with creative and different ideas to win the competition. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)

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utside of the groups and clubs that one expected to find on a college campus such as sororities, fraternities and pep clubs, unique groups could be found on the Truman State University campus as well. Although the groups were unique and often unheard of, they were

active and alive on campus.

The Fighting Squirrels displayed their school spirit in unusual ways. Modeled after "The Antlers of Mizzou," the Squirrels were willing to make total fools of themselves to cheer on University teams.

"When I was little and I first saw 'The Antlers of Mizzou' I thought it was so cool how they would just make total fools out of themselves just to cheer on the team," graduate student Tim Deveney said. "I wanted to bring that concept to Truman."

In addition to cheering on the football team and the men's and women's basketball teams, the Fighting Squirrels tried to get the University's mascot changed from the Bulldog to the Fighting Squirrel.

"A fighting squirrel is just more appropriate for our campus," Deveney said. While some groups cheered for sports teams, others cheered for each other. Diabetes Education and Awareness for Life (DEAL) formed in 1998 as part of a class assignment for nursing students and has turned into a support group for diabetics on campus.

DEAL's main goals were to help students with diabetes, improve awareness of the disease, have an impact on the community and raise money for national research organizations such as the American Diabetes Association.

"We also help each other cope with the disease and keep each other motivated to take care of themselves," senior David Widitz said. "Many college students don't take care of their diabetes like they should."

Other groups focused their interests outside of the

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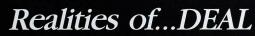
Members of Invisible Cities listen to music during their weekly meeting. Each member brought new, unheard of artists or other music that interested them. The group played two songs from each CD, record or tape and critiqued the music.







Senior Thomas Knowlton talks to the members of the group Invisible Cities. Members shared their musical opinions and interests with each other. Invisible Cities was named after a novel written by Italo Calvino. (photos by Jo Ann Croghan)



"DEAL mainly recruits through health history forms. The University's health center will get in touch with students for us and ask if they would be interested in being contacted by one of our members."



David Widitz, member



Unique and unheard of groups could be found across campus to suit any interest.





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University's campus. Model UN was formed to inform students about the workings of the United Nations.

"The idea behind the Model UN is to have everyone involved in the group understand how the UN runs," senior Maria Jose Carrasco said.

The Model UN participated in semi-annual conferences each semester. The first conference, held in Chicago during the fall semester, allowed group members to compete for different awards.

"Truman is well known for knowing the rules and using them to our advantage," Carrasco said.

The University represented Israel at the fall conference.

"Not only do you learn a lot about the country you are representing because you have to do a lot of research, but you also learn diplomacy," Carrasco said.

There was a second conference during the spring semester. The Model UN members held this conference for local high school students to teach them about the different countries represented at the UN.

"We want high school students to learn how to interact with the other delegations in a more formal way," Carrasco said. "We want them to learn to communicate more formally. We want the high school students to be well prepared with the countries that they are representing."

Members of the Model UN were mostly political science majors, but any student could participate.

Invisible Cities started in the fall of 1998 as a group interested in sampling different music tastes. Four members started the group which now has over 30 members. Senior Thomas Knowlton held weekly meetings at his apartment.

"It's hard to fit all those people into my tiny apartment," Knowlton said. "Basically all we do is have people bring a tape, record or CD that they want to listen to and we listen to a couple of songs."

Invisible cities also put out a newsletter and made a web page for members.

A group to fit any taste could be found at the University. Students simply had to know where to look.

By Sarah Hoppe

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The new organization,

Hillel, gave Jewish stu-

dents an opportunity to

worship together to and

to support each other.

group of Jewish faculty and students re-formed the Truman State University Hillel to bring people of this minority closer in faith.

"Hillel is a national Jewish organization for college students," Sheri Palmer, faculty sponsor, said. "It used to be an organization here at Truman but it became inactive."

Palmer and other Hillel members worked to reorganize the group on campus. Former sponsor, Jerry Hirsch, also worked to re-form the group. Although they were not an official organization, Hillel had a table at the 1999 Activities Fair like many other organizations.

"I was very overwhelmed with the response that we got at the Activities Fair," Palmer said. "We were told that we had to have six members to start an organization and we had about 15 sign up."

Members said the re-formation of the

group was important to the Univer-

"I think the fact that it was an organization and is now re-formed is good," freshman Jenifer Zurovsky, Hillel's president,

said.

Re-forming the group took work but the members said it was worth the effort

"It's a lot of work, especially with working to make it an official organization," Zurovsky said. "But it is really exciting that there is a Jewish organization on campus now because we are definitely a minority."

By Jessica Sausto





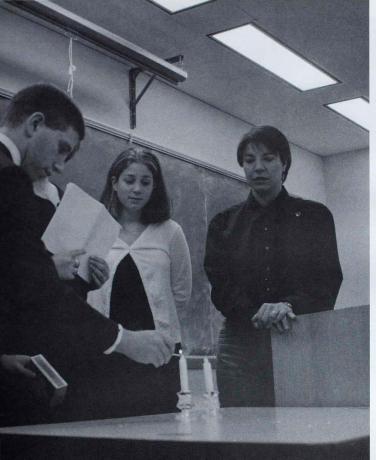
Student Missouri State Teachers Association

FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Edgar-secretary, Susan Doss-president, Stephanie Starnes. BACK ROW: Courtney Danner, Megan Matusiak-treasurer, Nicole Nieters-vice president.



Student Senate

FRONT ROW: Tanner Williams, Steven Majors, Jessica Neighbors, Stacey Georgepresident, Matthew Gorton-vice president, James Hubler-treasurer, Peter Lyskowski, Kristen Riebeling. SECOND ROW: Deena Boyd, Bethany Ordaz, Josh Devine, Jessica Linsday, Sarah Carle, Phillip Kopf, Derek Spellman, Sara Bartek, Jessica Post, THIRD ROW: Ed O'Toole, Kelsey Simpson, Kenneth Hussey, Matt Brooker, Todd Billy, Kristi Russell, Amanda Brink, Tricia Mason. BACK ROW: Christopher Ross, John Halski, Brad Comstock, Keith Ziegelman, Andrew Oberdeck, John Hilton, Andy Lewis, Jerry Schirmer, Orlando Williams.



n order to celebrate the Shabbat, senior Andy Levy, freshman Jenifer Zurovsky, sophomore Rebecca Light and adviser Dr. Sherri Palmer light Shabbat candles in McClain Hall. Shabbat is the celebration of the Jewish Sabbath starting at sunset Friday and ending at sundown Sunday. (photo by Tinia Gray)

Perceptions vs. Realities

Hillel

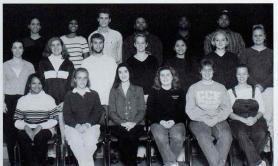
- This was the first Jewish organization on campus
- * Hillel had been an active group in the past
- * There were very few Jewish stud-
- There were 30-50 Jewish students at ents on campus the University

Perceptions vs. Realities



Students for Ethical Animal Treatment

FRONT ROW: Nicholas Iwig, Rebecca Weintraub, John Halski-president, Catherine Schmidt-vice president, Denise Magditch-historian. BACK ROW: Teresa Pafford, James Hatch, Julie Schwartz, Corey Schmidt, April Kramme, Ellen Dooley.



Students Together Aiding Recruitment of Students

FRONT ROW: Franchesca Little, Melissa McIntyre, Debbie Stang, Anne Chopin, Katie Nielsen, Kylie Christopherson. SECOND ROW: Leah Shaw, Maggie Bauer, Matthew O'Rourke, Robyn Hiatt, Rolena Hadwiger, Deena Boyd, Rachel Rigby. BACK ROW: Kim Joseph, Stacy Wright, Tanner Williams, Larry Asberry Jr., Cecil Brooks, Joe Murchison Jr.





Students Together Educating Peers

FRONT ROW: Joe Hamilton-coordinator, Jake Kirschner, Erika Waldschmidt. BACK ROW: Lindsay Hyatt, Kelly Martin, Kimberly Frankie, Nathan Personette.



Tau Kappa Epsilon

FRONT ROW: Mike Mangiore, Dan Perschbacher-secretary, Jon Nones-vice president, Pete Moore-president, Kevin Gaus-treasurer, Alex Lumaghi-historian. SECOND ROW: Jeff Danford, Louis Meyer, Scott Morton, Tom Rodeghero, Heath Rieger. BACK ROW: Tim Wolf, Turk Behlman, Jake Rickman, Tommy Ramirez.



Feelings

hree years ago the staff behind the Windfall literary magazine sponor red a poetry reading at the Washington Street Java Co.

Windfall writers had previously met in the Ryle Hall lounge to share their work with each other, but the campus community only saw Windfall in its published form once a year. Staff members designed this poetry reading to showcase the talent of the writers that contributed to the magazine.

"That first one was a huge success," senior Shalyn Claggett said. "About 60 people showed up."

The positive response led *Windfall* to sponsor regular poetry readings at the coffee shop once every semester. The majority of the participants were students whose work had been published in *Windfall*. University faculty also read their poems and *Windfall* members encouraged

audience members to step up to the spotlight as well.

Junior Matthew Webber read his poem "WASHOUT" at the fall poetry reading.

"It was nerve-wracking at first, but once I got up there I really enjoyed it," Webber said.

A number of English majors contributed literary pieces, but students of all majors took the opportunity *Windfall* provided to demonstrate their talent.

"We offer a forum for anyone who is interested," junior Sarah Dennis, *Windfall's* editor in chief, said. "A lot of our authors have any major you can think of."

The Windfall poetry readings provided writers with a chance to perform while giving the audience the opportunity to enjoy original poetry.

"It's a good creative catharsis for students who wouldn't have a creative outlet otherwise," Claggett said.

By Megan Delaney



Tau Lambda Sigma



Truman Tansfers

FRONT ROW: Melinda Crum-president, Amy Hermann-secretary, Lauren Vehige, My May-historian, Rhonda Dunbar, Gina Mack, Meredith Palozola, Meg Wiecherttreasurer. SECOND ROW: Jennifer Mitchell, Christina Carr, Erin Ponder, Kari Schuster, Erin McAlvany, Heather Frericks, LeAnn Enloe, Joanne Grayson, Lisa Weber. THIRD ROW: Amber Lea Beal, Daphne Rutledge, Melissa Shriver, Elizabeth Edgar, Angie Barnhill, Kristy Masten, Jodi Banocy, Danielle Camarota. BACK ROW: Sara Jackson, Melissa Mitschele, Maggie Miller, Stephanie Starnes, Anna Bancroff, Beckly Boxleitner, Amy Johnson.

FRONT ROW: Christopher Walker-president, Bobby Francis-vice president, Mary Beth McCorkle-secretary, Rachael Christmas-historian, Christi Willenberg, BACK ROW: Sherry Tyhurst, Scott Niermann, Murad Ahmad, Jeannie Patterson.

magine joining a fraternity where half of the members were professors. Phi Kappa Phi was exactly this.

Phi Kappa Phi, the first university-wide honors fraternity on campus, had a mission to promote the love of learning by involving both students and faculty members in a group that recognized academic excellence.

Each year Phi Kappa Phi invited the top five percent of the junior class and the top ten percent of the senior class to join the fraternity. The current members then nominated faculty they believed to be the most outstanding on campus. Out of these nominees, they asked four to join.

An executive board headed the fraternity with three members being faculty. The only position on the executive board open to students was vice president. Though some students considered it odd for a fraternity to be run primarily by faculty, junior Tina Patel, vice president, disagreed.

"I think it's neat because [the faculty]

tries to incorporate us," Patel said. "With having them in charge, it is easier to have a big budget and keep organized. They have really good ideas about how to get members, too."

President David Christiansen felt having both students and faculty was very beneficial for the fraternity as a whole.

"It's educational for students and faculty to see each other's views of what excellence is," Christiansen said. "The fraternity is a good model for the 'Truman [State University] environment."

The fraternity sponsored coffee house discussions and sections of the Undergraduate Research Symposium, but many students used the fraternity as a resume booster.

"It looks really good on an application for higher learning like grad[uate] school, med[ical] school and law school," Patel said. "But at the same time, I think I'm getting really good experience being a leader."

By Sara Stites



Truman Ultimate Bureau

FRONT ROW: Joshua Boehm, Nicholas Fuller-field captain, Uriah Kiehl-president, Sean Agniel-field captain, Vijay Yalamanchili. SECOND ROW: Derek Ozkal, Michael Rogers, Corey Schmidt, Erin Schuster, Matthew Hawkins. BACK ROW: Nickolas Turco, Bill Smolinski, Matt Grothoff, Bill Krenn, Hersey Hawkins.

Unique Ensemble

FRONT ROW: Alana Butler-president, Tanginia May-vice president/secretary, Franchesca Little-treasurer, Jeremiah McCluney, Melanie Patty, Kenneth Martin-director. SECOND ROW: Lakisha Blue, LaJeanne Grinnage, Toyia Poole, Faith Givan, Patricia Granberry. BACK ROW: Weslyn Caldwell, Tonya Sanders, Cassie Tate, Kinyotta Johnson, Larry Asberry.





FRONT ROW: Kevin McWeeney, Corey Crandall, Timothy Sandfort, Elizabeth Hahn, Merideth Schneider, Teri Patterson. SECOND ROW: Krister Gibson, Elizabeth Rea, Stephanie Knoblauch, Kristen Keller, Jennifer Pruett, Erica Baker, Jenny Hughes. BACK ROW: Jennifer Main, Amy Huedepohl, Scot Niermann, Bobby Francis, Carolyn Reinker, Joseph Brooks, Lindsay Combs.

University Swingers (non-performance)



University Swingers (performance)

FRONT ROW: Luke Andermann-treasurer, Nathan Harman-president, Ann Miller-secretary, Devin Weishuhn-secretary. SECOND ROW: Jillian Daco, Elizabeth Edgar, Rebecca French. BACK ROW: Ryan Miller, Nicholas Carson, Amy Johnson, Nathan Personett. uniors Chris Nagelvoort and Chancie Adams prepare to raise the sail of their boat on Forest Lake at Thousand Hills State Park. Nagelvoort and Adams taught themselves how to sail and then decided to start a sailing team. Team members worked hard to get the boat in good condition and they hoped to eventually partake in sailing competitions. (photo by Ally Mizulski)

Perceptions_{vs}. Realities Sailingteam

*The sailing team rented boats to go sailing *Team members donated money to purchase their own boat for

* All members were required to have sailing experience *Any student interested in sailing was encouraged to join

\$1.500

Perceptions_{vs}. Realities



Venture Crew (403)

FRONT ROW: Sarah Fluegel, Ken Lederle-treasurer, Sam Valenti-president, Jack Dabrowski-vice president, Nathan Chisholm-secretary, Kenneth Carter-adviser. SECOND ROW: Julie Noclker, Neetu Abad, Bailey Sherry, Maryann York, Laura Presley, Yu Tawada, Abby Stenbeck. THIRD ROW: Tracy Argao, Stephanie Mattull, Katie Scilligo, Erin Werner, Julie Schwartz, Sarah Martin, Stacia Hentges, Yumiko Takahashi. BACK ROW: Corey Crandall, Ryan Pickett, Eddie Brauer, Scott Fohey, Isaac Stayton.





Wesley House

FRONT ROW: Reverend Eric Anderson-campus minister, Carolyn Vibbert, Sarah Hamilton, Nicholas Kindred, Laura Schmitz, Meg Wiechert. BACK ROW: Walter Coats, Dawn Jones, Stephanie Cox, Danette Rardon, Melanie Hurst, Scott Niermann.



Makings

Sailing team members

purchased their first

sailboat for \$1,500.

They worked together

to renovate the boat

and to set sail.

parkling water parted as the nose of a small boat glided through it. The passengers took deep breaths of the warm air and felt the wind rushing against

their skin as stared out onto the lake. Some Truman State University students sailed to escape schoolwork and other problems, and sailing quickly became a new hobby and a new love.

"Initially Chris

[Nagelvoort] and I got some books and taught ourselves how to sail," junior Chancie Adams said. "We took some others out and we loved it so much we decided to start an organization. We filed for membership in February and started meetings then."

Adams and junior Chris Nagelvoort replaced the small boat with a larger one, and members collaborated their efforts to buy a new sailboat. "One of my friends already had a sailboat," junior Jacob Utterback said. "But then we decided to all chip in and we bought a big boat. Meetings so far have

been spent fixing up the boat."

As word about the new sailing team spread, students expressed interest in becoming members

The sailing team was classified as a recreational group.

Members said it was important to be viewed as a team and not as a club.

"There are only so many jobs to be filled on a boat," junior Adam Allmon said. "Also, we aren't a club because we have to work together on the boat, which makes us a team."

By Elizabeth Hoppis



Windfall



Women's Resource Center

FRONT ROW: Tina Lee, Alice Lee-assistant editor, Sarah Dennis-editor, Shalyn Claggett-assistant editor, Jason Dockery, SECOND ROW: Matt Reeg, Nicole Hanson, Neal Brown, Jennifer Ice, Betsy Gulinson, Shawna Archer. BACK ROW: Shawn Gilmore, Amy Christensen, Catherine Lee, Ryan O'Shea.

FRONT ROW: Sara Young, Brie Cantrell-co-director, Sara Denny-co-director. BACK ROW: Melissa Seifert, Olivia Bratich, Amanda Reed-co-historian.

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duct Code elminated past

problems of enforcement

and proposed stricter con-

sequences.

Break the rules and your organization could feel the pain. Pending revisions to the Student Conduct Code would hold groups responsible for members' actions.

Jesse Fortney, dean of Student Affairs, said that Truman State University organizations had concealed individuals who violated the conduct code.

"Before there

were so many loopholes where people could say, 'Well I'm not going to tell you who did it,' so nobody got in trouble about it," Fortney said. "Now, we have a provision which will make it easier for the office to complete a judicial investigation."

Sophomore Sally Noedel, a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, said she thought the proposed changes would be well worth it.

"I know in my fraternity and in other

organizations, everybody's friends, and they try to cover for each other," Noedel said.

ups responsible for Some groups had processes to sanction organizations.

The revised Student Con-Athletic Director

Athletic Director
Jerry Wollmering
said he supported
the proposed
changes to include
organizations under the
University's conduct code because

it was similar to the athletic department's system.

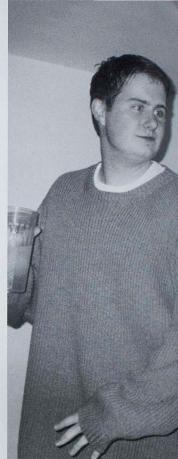
Proposed changes to the conduct code included receiving a failing grade for academic misconduct, removing legal jargon and creating a judicial hearing board composed of faculty, administrative staff and students, Fortney said.

By Leslie Dunn



Zeta Phi Beta

FRONT ROW: Natasha Carter-president, Lindsey Moore-vice president, Tanginia May-secretary. BACK ROW: Yvonne Winbush-treasurer, Samara Russell, Carmen Taylor-historian.





tudents take a break from their studies by attending a party. Students' behavior became a major concern when the Student Conduct Code was revised. Revisions focused on consistent reinforcement of the conduct code and stricter consequences when the code was broken. (photo submit-

Perceptions_{vs}. Realities StudentConductCode

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sequences

* It only affected social organiza*It applied to all organizations on campus

Perceptions_{vs}. Realities

Students traveled far and wide to participate in Midterm Break missionary trips. These missionary trips gave students the opportunity to serve others while strengthening their faith.

Students involved in the Wesley House, Campus Crusade for Christ, Campus Christian Fellowship and the Baptist Student Union participated in the service projects. Most trips were open to members and nonmembers of the group, and the cost per person ranged from \$25-\$550.

The Wesley House mission trip involved a nine-day, nine-member excursion to Chihuahua, Mexico. It was the group's second visit to Chihuahua. The South Central Jurisdiction Volunteers In Mission, a large regional center of the United Methodist Church, coordinated the trip. Eight students and their campus minister helped build a Methodist church on the outskirts of the city. They also mixed and poured concrete and layed brick walls.

Senior Sarah Hamilton said they accomplished many tasks while on the trip.

"With such a small group, we got to know each other very well," Hamilton said. "The trip was an opportunity to serve others, to experience another culture and to grow closer as a team."

Hamilton said she grew spiritually because of the opportunity to dedicate some quality time to her spiritual life without the interruptions and hassles of school.

"The absence of stress and the opportunity just to work up a sweat and help somebody else is one of the greatest feelings in the world," Hamilton said.

Six students and four staff members from CCC traveled to Chicago for seven days for Urban Immersion. The trip was organized by Here's Life Inner City, a division of CCC that operates in the inner city of several big cities around the country.

Group members could choose to participate in several different types of service for the Roseland community of Chicago. The projects included preparing a house for teenage mothers and their children, volunteering in an elementary school and helping with an after-school program for inner-city children.

CCC member senior Lori Anderson said the trip

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Members of Christian organizations spend their Midterm Break helping others on missionary trips.



Jushing with all their might, students on the Campus Christian Fellowship mission trip move a tree so they can saw it into smaller pieces. Workers picked up tree debris after a construction company chopped down trees to build new power lines. Students also cleared areas for workers to build wooden and wire fences.



Realities of...Mission Trips



"I really feel like the group bonded a lot. There were so many people, but the sense of unity was great. God really taught me a lot of things during the week. It was good to be away from school and just be able to listen for God."

Amy Drake, Campus Christian Fellowship member





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was a chance to serve the community for a week and communicate the gospel and to gain a bigger perspective of the world.

"It was certainly eye opening to see that many people live very different lives than you and I," Anderson said. "It was also encouraging to see the way God is working in the lives of the people in the inner city and to see the need to go there to share the gospel and serve. I think that as a group we bonded. As we served together and saw God working, we got to know one another on a deeper level."

The seven-day CCF trip took 155 travelers to New Life Ranch, a camp outside of Colcord, Okla. The trip was organized through Christian Camping International, a supporting organization for Christian Camps. The service aspect of the trip involved a great deal of manual labor, including building swimming and canoe docks, raising the roof of a barn and building a trail.

Rob Siemer, campus minister for CCF, said the impact the trip had on their group was immeasurable.

"It's absolutely phenomenal," Siemer said. "God does amazing things—tearing down walls that people have been hiding behind, sometimes for their whole lives. During the day, we work but at night we try to focus on the spiritual aspect of the trip. For example, we had small groups in which people asked questions, shared experiences or just got to know some more people."

The 50-member BSU missionary group traveled to Wichita, Kan., for eight days. The members divided into smaller groups that performed services at six different work sites. This included helping to build two homes for Habitat for Humanity. One of these homes went to a family with 10 children who lost their home after a tornado destroyed it.

The group also worked at the Christian Life Change House, a halfway house for men coming out of prison who had become Christians. The volunteers stripped walls, carpet and floors to prepare the house for renovation.

Phil McIntosh, BSU alumnus volunteer and trip coordinator, said they accomplished a great deal during the trip.

"Anybody could've done the actual physical labor, but these students benefited from coming together as one collective group with one collective purpose," McIntosh said. "That purpose was to put their faith in Christ in action by serving God through these ministries. Throughout the course of the week, students had the opportunity to serve together, work together, play, pray and worship together. As they did these things, they not only grew closer to each other, they grew closer to God as individuals and as a group."

By Ginny Windels

orking despite the occurrence of a rare dust storm, junior Scott Nierman and Reverend Eric Anderson, Wesley House's campus minister, mix concrete. Eight students from Wesley House traveled to Chihuahua, Mexico, over Midterm Break. While in Chihuahua, the students helped build a cistern for a Methodist church. (photos submitted)

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he Truman State University Panhellenic Council returned boasting awards and new ideas after attending the Mid-American Greek Council Association central area conference Feb. 17-20 in Chicago.

The Panhellenic Council received awards for membership recruitment, philanthropy and com-

munity service and council management. The group was also a finalist for the Sutherland Award. This award was based on the overall excellence of the Panhellenic Council.

"We were elated to win the awards," junior Katie Scioneaux, vice president of internal recruitment, said. "It's good to be recognized in some areas and it made us realize areas we need to work on."

The awards were based on documentation of accomplishments of the Panhellenic Council and officer programs given during the previous year. Although individuals applied for the awards, Scioneaux said the entire Panhellenic Council received them.

The Panhellenic Council sent 12 women to the conference, along with their adviser, Stacy Kraus, and Kia Hartfield, assistant Greek adviser for the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Spending time together was an important part of the trip.

"The best part for me was spending time with the other girls from Truman, getting to know them better and getting ideas about how they do things within their sororities," junior Tara Hermann, Panhellenic Council secretary, said.

Those who attended the conference acquired ideas to implement within the University's Greek system.

"It was really nice to meet other people and get ideas about how people do things on other campuses," junior Casey Henrichs, Panhellenic Council housing chairwoman, said. "I think [the conference] really motivated me to become more active and made me really proud that I'm Greek."

By Heather Adams

Earned

Resting against the rail in a subway car, sophomore Ashley Nassau waits for her stop while traveling through Chicago with Interfraternity Council members. Students from Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council had free time to tour the city while they were in Chicago for the Mid-American Greek Council Association conference.







PanhellenicCouncil president, sophomore Amanda Eggers, accepts an award for Truman State University's chapter at the Mid-American Greek Council Association conference in Chicago. Panhellenic Council received multiple awards while at the conference. (photos submitted)

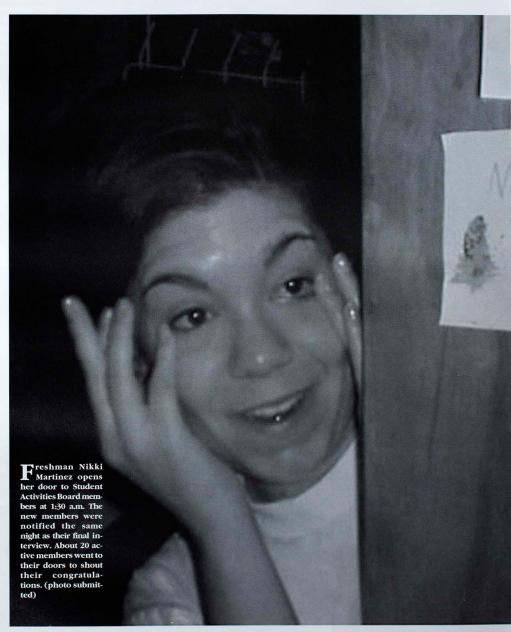
Realities of...Panhellenic Council

"We're not huge but we're known, so that's great. The judge that I met with said that we were the pinnacle for our division, [and] that for our size, we have a very strong council."



Amanda Eggers, president

Twists in the Student Activities Board selection process kept interviewees on their toes.





The next few minutes would determine whether I

▲ advanced to the second round of interviews. "Elizabeth Hoppis? You can come in now. I am Ben Greer, Student Activities Board president. This is the selections committee. Please have a seat."

Five serious faces looked at me as I sat at the head of a large, imposing table. I smiled nervously and tried to imagine what they would ask, but the first question caught me completely off guard.

"If you could be any formation in nature what would you be and why?"

At first I was surprised, but the mixture of serious, light and contemplative questions kept me thinking. I left with no idea how I did. It was Friday, and on Monday I would know if I had made the first cut.

My stomach was tense, but I found my name!

That night the second interview took place and it was done in groups. A motion was set on our table and we were told to discuss it. The conversation soon started to flow, and I thought about whether or not I was saying the right things the entire time.

"Okay, you have all done a good job. Please wait in the hall and we will call you in one at a time to talk about this portion of the interview."

My mind was racing. I told them how I felt the discussion went. They told me they would call around midnight to let me know if I had made it or not.

At 12:30 a.m. I disappointedly laid down to go to sleep. I assumed they had decided not to call the people who did not make it. At 2 a.m. I awoke to the noise of people in the hall. I tried to ignore the sounds.

Then someone knocked on my door. Twenty SAB members were there shouting their congratulations to me. I had made it into SAB!

"Welcome to SAB. It is good to have you on the Board. You can go back to bed now."

I didn't know what to say or do. The process was very different than what I had imagined, but I had made it through! I was so excited that I could not sleep and stayed up reading the SAB handbook.

I had my first meeting two days after the selection and a retreat the following weekend. I plunged in headfirst ready to do my best for SAB.

By Elizabeth Hoppis

blustery, chilly day set the stage for the International Week's opening ceremonies, but the dreary weather did not make the events any less exciting for Truman State University students.

More than 50 students proudly carried flags to represent at least 30 countries in the flag parade across campus. Various administrators spoke of the opportunities International Week gave students to promote the different cultures found at the University and in Kirksville. Ed Carpenter, former Kirksville mayor, was also present to officially recognize April 3-8 as International Week.

The Student Activities Board, Film Club, Bulls rugby team and the coalition of African American Women co-sponsored the events. Melanie Crist, International Student Office adviser, said co-sponsorship was a positive addition to International Week.

"[With co-sponsors] we're not just reaching out to individuals but organizations, and that will make this Truman's International Week and not just the international students' International Week," Crist said.

Many events were held during the week including taste testing of ethnic foods and open microphone night at the Washington Street Java Co. where students talked about their cultures. The week drew to a close with the SAB sponsored hypnotist, Russ Peak, and "The Art of Kissing" presentation. In "The Art of Kissing" presentation, students performed various styles of kissing that exist throughout the world.

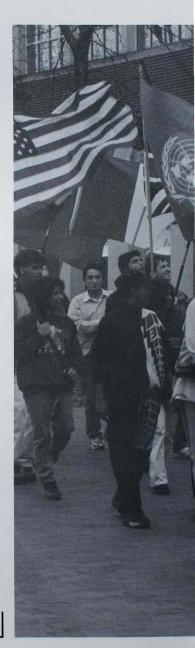
Sixty-five international and American students who were members of the International Club organized the events to make students aware of the different cultures on campus.

"Kirksville is out of the way of everything and [this is a way to] bring a little piece of the world [to Kirksville]," senior Janaka Madawela, International Club president, said.

Madawela also said the International Club was a vital organization on campus.

"If [the International Club] were not there it would be hard to imagine an International Week and International Dinner," Madawela said. "It's a place for American students and international students to mingle."

By Teri Patterson



International Week exposed students to new cultures and traditions.



unior Heather Helm prepares freshmen Heather and Amy Carmack for the Tiger Beat Poetry section of the Cornhusker Tournament in Lincoln, Neb. In this competition, debaters used popular song lyrics to create skits.



Realities of...Debate Team



"I have had the opportunity to work with and meet some of the most fascinating and intelligent people I'll ever get to."

Ryan Kennedy, debater





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i Kappa Delta and the forensics team prepared for months for the National tournament. It paid off when they claimed many national victories.

The first competition was the Pi Kappa Delta National tournament, held Feb. 25-28 in St. Louis, Mo. Debate and speech team mem-

bers claimed the second place title.

In March, the debate team traveled to the National Parliamentary Debate Association tournament. They claimed a first place victory and brought home the "Two Man Team" and "Sweepstakes" awards. Junior debaters Jacob Stutzman and Ryan Kennedy were named national champions.

"For Ryan and I both, this was our seventh year of competition," Stutzman said. "We set a goal at the beginning of this year that we would be able to say that we left nothing undone. After seven years of hard work, we did that."

Kennedy said being named a national champion was the highlight of his year.

"It was an incredible feeling," Kennedy said. "When it happened, I was in complete

and utter shock."

The third competition was the National Forensic Association tournament, held April 11-18. It focused on individual events and the speech team.

The debate team also claimed first place victories in four invitational tournaments, and 36 members qualified for Nationals.

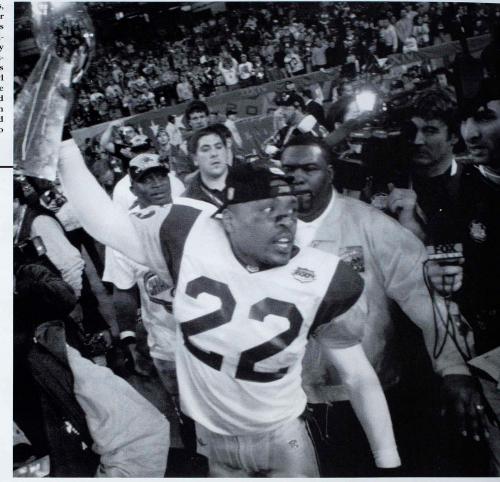
By the end of the season, the team achieved far above and beyond its initial goals. Kevin Minch, forensics program director and adviser for Pi Kappa Delta, said the team members clearly outperformed their own expectations.

"At the beginning of the year, other teams used to say, "Truman who? Who's that?" Minch said. "But now when they see the Truman name on a posting, they know they will be competing against quality."

By Ginny Windels

Expert debaiers

unior Ryan Kennedy shaves Kevin Minch's head after the team won two national championships. Minch, forensics program director and Pi Kappa belta adviser, promised the team members they could shave his head if the team won a national championship. (photos submitted) BillyJenkins, safety for the St. Louis Rams, celebrates victory over the Tennessee Titans in Super Bowl XXXIV. The Rams finished their season with a record of 13-3. (photo submitted)



MINI-MAG



University students seemed to lose track of the rest of the world. It was easy for us to get so wrapped up in our studies, jobs and organizations that we often did not know about huge news events unfolding around the world. In reality, events that affected the whole world occurred beyond Kirksville each day. Many countries struggled with international problems as well as dealing with internal conflicts. Natural disasters such as Hurricane Floyd and the earthquakes in Turkey struck and caused widespread death and disaster. Athletes broke records and entertainers won awards. Legends died as babies were born. Many of us expected New Year's Eve to be eventful, but it was nothing more than a great party. When we caught up on the news, we realized that life was moving around us at an incredible pace.







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TRAGEDY STRIKES AGAIN

The Story of the Kennedys

By Alison Sparks and Ally Mizulski

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ohn F. Kennedy Jr., his wife, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, and his sister-in-law, Lauren Bessette, died on July 16, 1999, as Kennedy's plane crashed into the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, seven miles off the coast of Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

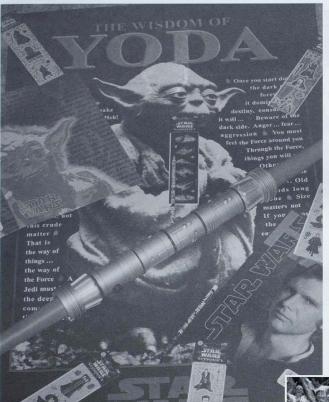
Kennedy and his wife were flying to Hyannis Port, Mass., to attend his cousin's, Rory Kennedy, wedding. He was to drop Bessette off at Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

Radar spotted Kennedy's plane, a Piper Cessna, 48 minutes into the flight, and tracked its flight patterns and altitude until its final descent into the ocean. The plane plunged into

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John F. Kennedy Jr. attends the funeral of his cousin Michael Kennedy. Another victim of the Kennedy curse, Michael died in a skiing accident on Dec. 31, 1997.





Blockbuster

"Star Wars: Phantom Menace" topped box offices, setting a new record for the most money grossed on opening day.

In 1977, "Star Wars: Episode IV, A New Hope" opened on 35 movie screens around the country. No one, not even writer director George Lucas, expected it to be a hit. The opening day of "Star Wars: Episode 1, The Phantom Menace" set a new record for the most money grossed on opening day ever, bringing in a total of \$28,542,349.

While the original "Star Wars" success was a surprise, critics and fans placed phenomenal expectations on "Phantom Menace." Those who saw the original "Star Wars Trilogy" returned to see if the new movies lived up to their expectations.

This movie, however, did not meet the expectations of many. Countless critics scolded the movie not for its special effects and computer graphics, but for its relative lack of non-computer generated actors.

Despite many negative critiques, "Phantom Menace" made \$102.7 million in five days. Ten weeks after its release "Phantom Menace" earned \$1 million a day. Overall

(continued from page 226) the ocean shortly after 9:40 p.m. A search for the missing plane began at 2:15 a.m. Saturday morning after a phone call from Kennedy's uncle, Sen. Ted Kennedy, to the Coast Guard station in Woods Hole, Mass.

The phone call began a five-day search over a large portion of the Atlantic Ocean which was later restricted to the area near Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

Searchers found Kennedy's recently purchased plane and the bodies on July 21, 1999.

At Kennedy's funeral service, Sen. Kennedy gave the eulogy. He closed with the following, "We dared to think...that this Along with grossing millions in Athe box office, "Phantom Mence" paraphenalia was a big hit among avid fans. Items varied from toys to numerous limited edition collectibles.(photo by Tina Patel)

New York Yankees catcher Joe Girardi congratulates pitcher David Cone after Cone pitched a perfect game against the Montreal Expos on July 18, 1999. The Yankees went on to win the World Series in a four-game sweep against the Atlanta Braves. (photo courtesy of Associated Press)

John Kennedy would live to comb gray hair with his beloved Carolyn by his side. But, like his father, he had every gift but length of years."



earnings surpassed the \$400 million mark making "Phantom Menace" one of the highest grossing films of all time.

By Stephanie Turner and John Hagen

CHAMPS CLENCHING VICTORY

Working Hard for the Win

By Stephanie Brenneke

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he United States women's soccer team reclaimed its 1991 first place title by winning the Women's World Cup in 1999. They finished third in 1995.

The U.S. was a strong favorite to claim the cup on home soil. With seven active players having made more than 100 appearances for their country, the American team was the most experienced in the world.

Before facing China, the U.S. rolled over Germany with a score of 3-2 and took out Brazil with a score of 2-0.

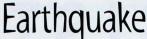
After 120 minutes of intense, scoreless soccer, the United States defeated China to win the World Cup before a record crowd of 90,185 fans at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif.

The game began with both

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Brandi Chastain celebrates after scoring the game winning overtime penalty shoot-out kick against China. The U.S. women's soccer team won the World Cup 5-4.





Turkey suffered massive damage on Aug. 17, 1999. Buildings and lives were lost and destroyed in the quake.





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teams playing with controlled aggression as they pushed forward and attacked. China's Xie Huilin scored the first goal of the game. The U.S. did not remain behind for long as Carla Overbeck scored a goal for the U.S. Both the U.S. and China scored three more goals in the first half.

No goals were scored in the second half and the game was sent into golden goal overtime when regulation time ended.

China's Fan Yunjie nearly ended the game in the 100th minute, but Kristine Lilly saved the U.S. with a head ball.

Brandi Chastain went on to score the game winning goal for the U.S. to conclude the Weeping, 51-year-old Fatma Tandogan looks for belongings in her collapsed house in Golcuk, Turkey. The Turkish government projected that it would need to build 100,000-120,000 new homes for earthquake victims.

Left homeless by the devestating Turkey earthquake, thousands gather around relief trucks distributing food. Adapazari in southeast Istanbul was one of the hardest hit areas.

long and grueling game.

The success of the American team in the Women's World Cup produced the mostwatched soccer game ever on U.S. television, and the team's success throughout the season ignited an unprecedented passion for women's soccer across the country.

Many Turkey residents awoke from their sleep on Aug. 17 to the shaking of buildings and loud crashes outside. A quake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale shook the country, ruining more than 21,390 buildings and leaving more than 200,000 people homeless.

In the first hours after the quake, the Turkey government was both unable to estimate damage and to begin relief efforts. Government officials had not made any preparations to ensure that they could communicate effectively in a crisis zone. This was a huge problem because Turkey's highly centralized decision making process required the approval of many officials in order to make decisions.

The government's failure to respond quickly caused both anger and confusion. It appeared that virtually all of the nation's



core institutions failed in their attempts to deliver assistance.

Turkey's main Islamic-oriented political party, the Virtue party, mounted a variety of successful emergency relief procedures which included dispensing food, medicine and supplies to needy towns.

By Stephanie Brenneke

SISTERS OFF THE COURT

Teammates on the Court

By Stephanie Brenneke

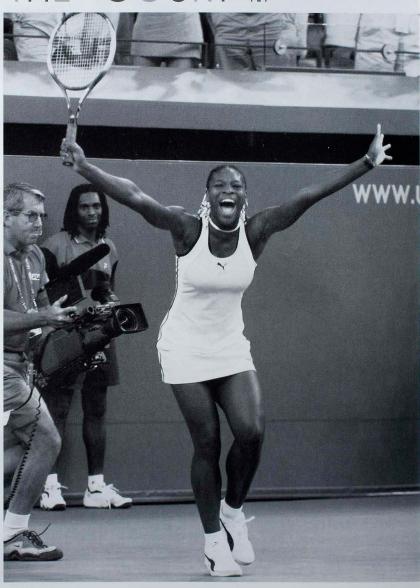
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eaching his daughters to play tennis at the young age of four, Venus and Serena Williams' father gave them a nudge down the path of success.

At 18 and 19 years of age, respectively, Venus and Serena's combined winnings already totaled \$7,550,820. In addition, they had won 208 of 276 career matches.

Originally seated 7th in the U.S. Open tournament, Serena knocked out Monica Seles, ranked 4th, and Lindsay Davenport, ranked 2nd, both from the U.S. She then went on to beat the no. 1 seed, Switzerland's Martina Hingis, in two sets. This victory made (continued on page 231)

Ecstatic about her win, Serena Williams enjoys a moment in the spotlight. On Sept. 11, 1999, Williams defeated Switzerland's Martina Hingis to win the women's U.S. Open. Williams also claimed the doubles tournament title with her sister, Venus.



(continued from page 230) her the second African American woman to win the Grand Slam title since Althea Gibson in 1958.

Serena and Venus teamed up to win the women's doubles title in the Open, making this the second Grand Slam women's doubles title for the sisters. They won the French Open earlier in the year. With this victory, Serena became the 5th woman in U.S. Open history to win both the singles and doubles titles at the U.S. Open.

Venus and Serena also maintained lives off the court. Serena attended an art school for fashion design and the the sisters produced a regular women's tennis newslet-

ricefighters observe a moment of silence on Dec. 10, 1999, for six firefighters who were killed in a fire in Worcester, Mass. Afterwards the search for the bodies was resumed. This tragedy was one of many that took lives during 1999.

Waves caused by Hurricane Floyd hitthejetty at Haulover Beach in Miami Beach, Fla. Floyd whipped through the Bahamas before hitting the United States. Coastal areas from Florida to North Carolina were evacuated due to extensive flooding.

By Stephanie Brenneke

Beginning life as a tropical depression on Sept. 7, 1999, Hurricane Floyd quickly gained strength and intensity. On Sept. 13, just a day before it hit the Bahamas, Floyd reached its peak intensity at 155 mph.

The hurricane's strength weakened as



it moved toward the U.S. coast. It passed approximately 100 miles east of Florida's coast before landing near Cape Fear, N.C. on Sept. 16.

Floyd travelled along the entire U.S. east coast, requiring hurricane warnings from Florida to Massachusetts. More than 2.6 million people were urged to evacuate their homes, making this the biggest evacuation in U.S. history.

More than 1.3 million utility customers in the Carolinas and Virginia lost power, and residents from South Carolina to New York faced serious problems including flooding and a shortage of drinking water.

Rainfall from Floyd combined with saturated ground water levels from previous rainfall to produce extensive inland flooding.

Fifty-seven lives were lost in the United States and the Bahamas, making Floyd the deadliest hurricane since Hurricane Agnes in 1972.

Hurricane Floyd claims 57 lives and causes over \$4 billion in \leftarrow damages to the east loast.

Disaster



TOUGH

Award Shows Pick the Best

By Tina Anshus

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nd the winner is... The entertainment elite honored excellence in film, television and music with prestigious awards. Organizations or committees for each award chose the nominees and determined the winners.

Members of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences voted for winners of the Academy Awards, or the Oscars. The academy limited Oscars to those achieving the highest level of distinction in motion pictures. The academy had 5,607 voting members in 2000.

Members represented 13 branches including actors, cin-(continued on page 233)

Helen Hunt accepts an Emmy for best actress in a comedy series for her role in "Mad About You." This was Hunt's seventh consecutive nomination in this category. She also won the award in 1996, 1997 and 1998.



(continued from page 232) ematographers, directors, short film and feature animators, visual effects producers and writers.

The Golden Globes recognized achievements in motion pictures and television as well. The Hollywood Foreign Press Association chose the nominees and the winners. Although the Oscars frequently lumped nominees into one category, the Golden Globes' honored dramas and comedies separately.

The recording academy presented the Grammy for excellence in music recording. Artists were not the only ones recognized. Technical professionals also won Grammys for their achievements.

Searching for survivors, rescue workers gather at the base of the collapsed bonfire stack at Texas A&M University. The stack's center pole snapped in two, killing 12 and injuring at least 27.

S triking a pose, Mariah Carey accepts the Artist of the Decade Award at the 1999 Billboard Music Awards show. The highest-ranking male on the pop-artist list was Garth Brooks. He came in third behind Carey and Janet Jackson.

By Stephanie Brenneke

A ninety seven-year tradition came to a crashing end on Nov. 18. A 40-foot pyramid of logs assembled for the annual Texas A&M bonfire collapsed. The collapse killed 11 students and one alumnus and injured at least 27 others.



Officials blamed the collapse of the bonfire on the cracking of the 100-foot central support pole.

Many people saw the collapse as a reason to end the tradition, while others wanted it to continue in memory of the dead students.

The traditional bonfire, which began in 1909, was used to generate spirit for the football game against the school's archrival, the University of Texas.

This was not, however, the first time a bonfire collapsed. In 1994 the structure fell after heavy rains, but no one was hurt. Students later rebuilt and burned it.

The only other time the bonfire was cancelled was in 1963 when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated.

Twelve killed and at least 27 injured. A bonfire collapse at Texas A&M University \leftarrow – raised questions about the importance of

Tradition



hey said it could not be done, but the St. Louis Rams proved everyone wrong. After four unsuccessful seasons, the Rams began their season as 200-1 underdogs to win the Super Bowl. On Jan. 30, they edged out the Tennessee Titans 23-16 to give St. Louis its first-ever Super Bowl Championship.

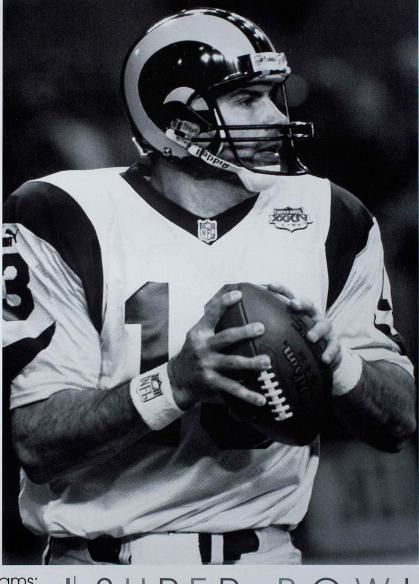
Leading the way for the Rams was Kurt Warner. Warner was named the Most Valuable Player of the game after setting a titlegame record with 414 passing yards.

The Rams began their season with a six-game winning streak; their first loss was to the Titans. After finishing the regular

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St. Louis Rams quarterback Kurt Warner looks for an open receiver during the fourth quarter of Super Bowl XXXIV. The rams defeated the Tampa Bay Bucaneers 11-6 to clinch the NFC Championship and the George Halas trophy on Jan. 23.

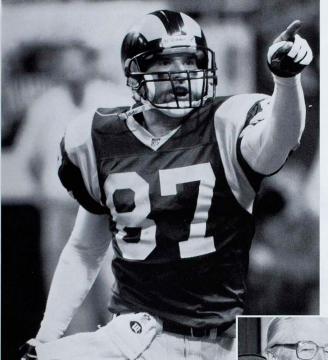
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The Rams: A Cinderella Story

By Stephanie Brenneke

CHAMPS



Coincidence?

Charles Schulz thanks readers and says goodbye in his "Peanuts" comic strip $\leftarrow - \bot$ printed the day after his death.

The days of reading the daily or Sunday paper and enjoying a new "Peanuts" comic strip are gone.

Charles Schulz died in his sleep on Saturday, Feb. 12, the night before his last comic strip was to be published.

The strip was originally designed for the St. Paul Pioneer Press in 1947 and was called "Li'l Folks." In 1950 it was sold to a syndicate, and the strip made its official debut as "Peanuts" on Oct. 12. It was eventually run in approximately 2,600 newspapers, reaching an estimated 355 million readers daily in 75 countries.

Schulz's strip was acknowledged not only by fans, but also by critics. In 1955 and

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season 13-3, they beat the Minnesota Vikings and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to earn the rematch with the Titans.

The match-up between the Rams and Titans produced a Super Bowl that was filled with heart. A producer could not have orchestrated a more dramatic finish.

The Rams held a 16-0 lead in the third quarter, but the Titans did not give up. The Titans' offense dominated the second half, and they were able to tie the game in the fourth quarter.

The tie only lasted 18 seconds. With less than two minutes to play, Wamer connected with Isaac St. Louis Rams Ricky Prochl celebrates his first touchdown of the season during the fourth quarter of the NFC Championship game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The Rams won the Jan. 23 game 11-6.

Cartoonist Charles Schulz displays a sketch of Snoopy, one of his "Peanuts" characters, in his office in Santa Rosa, Calif., in 1997. Schulz died in his home on Feb. 12 following a battle with cancer.

Bruce for a 73-yard touchdown pass.

The Rams' journey to the Super Bowl championship ignited a sense of spirit and pride in St. Louis that will not be forgotten.

1964 Schulz won the Reuben Award, comic art's highest honor. In 1978 he was named the International Cartoonist of the Year.

Because of a clause in Schulz's contract, "Peanuts" can never be drawn by another artist. While we are forced to say goodbye, many will never forget Charlie Brown's kite, Pigpen's cloud of dust or Linus' blanket.

By Stephanie Brenneke

early five months after being rescued from the icy waters of the Atlantic Ocean, 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez was returned to his father on April 23.

Elian survived a shipwreck that killed his mother and other passengers as they fled from Cuba. A sport fisherman found Elian clinging to an inner tube.

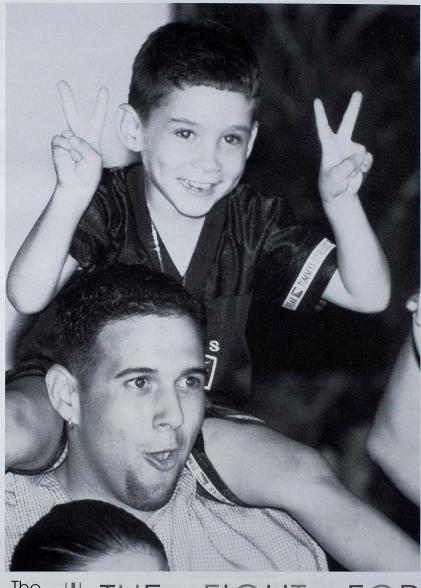
After Elian's arrival in the United States, his Miami relatives, Lazaro and Marisleysis Gonzalez were granted temporary custody and began legal proceedings to keep him in the United States.

Elian's father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, came to the United

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Six-year-old Elian Gonzalez celbehrates with relatives on Jan. 7 after being subpoenaed to appear before a congressional committee on Feb. 10. Elian endured a long drawn-out battle between his father and his Miami relatives before being denied an asylum hearing on June 1.

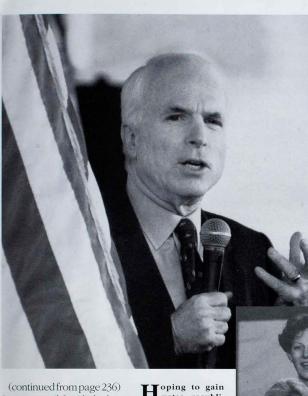
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The Elian Gonzalez Story

By Stephanie Brenneke

THE FIGHT FOR CUSTODY



Defeated

John McCain and Bill Bradley drop out of the presidential race ← − after the March primary.

After months of campaigning, presidential candidates Bill Bradley and John McCain accepted defeat and withdrew from the 2000 presidential race.

McCain withdrew from the race after big losses on Super Tuesday. Bush beat McCain in California and New York, the two biggest states at stake, by convincing voters that McCain was not conservative enough.

McCain had support from smaller groups such as the moderates, independents and democrats that crossed party lines to vote in the Republican primary, but it was not enough to fight Bush.

Alan Keyes was still in the GOP race, but

(continued from page 236) States on April 6 with the hope of being reunited with his son.

Elian was caught in a tugof-war as Cuban-Americans demanded that he be allowed to remain in the United States, while Cuban President Fidel Castro demanded the boy be returned to Cuba.

On Easter Sunday, armed federal agents used battering rams and pepper spray to take Elian from his Miami home after all-night negotiations between Attorney General Janet Reno and the family had failed.

Despite having his son back, Juan Miguel Gonzalez was not allowed to take Elian out of the country until federal court action over the question of asylum was decided. Hoping to gain votes, republican presidential candidate John McCain addresses supporters at a McCain 2000 rally in Hilton Head, S.C. Despite gaining support across the United States, McCain lost on Big Tuesday and later withdrew from the race.

Republican George
W. Bush celebrates
with his wife Laura
and Sen. Kay Baily Hutchins after
winning the Republican primary
on March 14. Bush and Vice President Al Gore swept the Southern
primaries, knocking Bill Bradley
and John McCain out of the race.

On June 1, the federal appeals court denied the Miami relative's request for Elian to receive an asylum hearing. They appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

not a factor in many of the primaries.

In the Democratic race, Gore swept all 15 contests. Bradley lost both the independent and liberal vote that were key to his strategy.

Victories by Bush and Gore assured them their parties' nominations. A fierce competition began between them, and it would continue until the presidential elections in November.

By Stephanie Brenneke

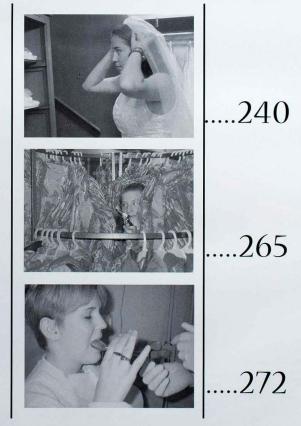
Spike, one of Truman's mascots, plays with a child while at a basketball game. The mascots worked hard to entertain both young and old at Truman events throughout the year. (photo by Ally Mizulski)



PEOPLE



Truman State University students thought they knew who they were when they came to Kirksville. In reality, we had just begun to discover ourselves. The year brought change for all of us. We dyed our hair, we took up aerobics and we realized that we enjoyed listening to classical music. We thought that we could tell what kind of personalities certain people had just through our own perceptions of them. We found that no one fit neatly into one category. We ended up becoming friends with the most unlikely people. We allowed the people we met to bring new ideas and change to our lives, and we learned more about ourselves and our friends with every experience. Initially, we thought that our differences would seperate us. In reality, our differences were what gave us our strength and provided us with the ability to achieve.



ENGAGED

By Jessica Saust

IN TRUMAN

In gaged couples got an early start to the alter as they prepared to live and love each other until death do they part-while still in college.

Engaged students faced many obstacles when it came to planning the wedding. Time seemed to be the biggest restriction.

"It takes away a lot of time," senior Kristin Orf said. "Planning a wedding

>>VickiAhn.....Littleton,CO

iskindoflikeanotherclass."

Being away from home also impeded the planning process. Orf scheduled a weekend so she could go home to meet with people involved in arranging the wedding since she could not do it in Kirksville.

Many engaged couples planned their weddings over the summer. This relieved some of the stress and time constraints, but the unresolved details created a little tension.

"About the month before the wedding, I think I might be stressed with handling all of the lastminutedetails," senior Keri Silea said.

Students who were not engaged found the idea fascinating. Some were even a little overwhelmed by it.

"It's a new concept to go

to school with so many people who are engaged," freshman Stephanie Tice said. "Tve heard of people who found their significant other in college, but I never figured they'd get engaged in college."

Couples had many reasons for getting married while still in college, and they all had overwhelming support from family and friends.



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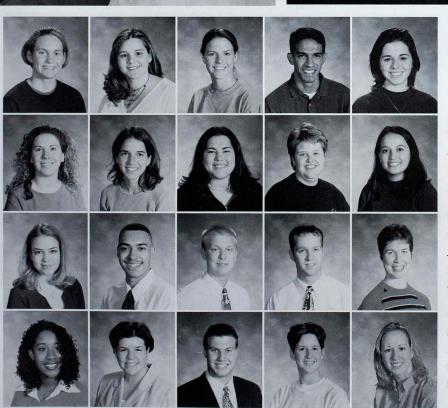


Senior Kristin Orf gazes at her reflection in the mirror of a bridalshop indowntown Kirksville. Finding a wedding gown was only one of many tasks. Many students enjoyed the process of preparing for their weddings. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

THE REALITIES

- ●78 percent of brides planned to take their husband's name
- •Strapless and short-sleeved dresses were in style
- ●Trends: bilingual services, parental vow renewals, purity rings
- ●18 percent of women called mom first to break the news
- Average length of time from proposal to wedding: 14 months
- Color fads: pale yellows and lavender
- ●87 percent of men proposed; 2 percent of women proposed; 11 percent mutual decision

facts are from Brides magazine Aug/Sept. 1999





NO PLACE

By Beth McFadden

LIKE HOME

tudents who studiedabroad returned with indescribable memories. They learned about cultures, met people and went places they had only dreamed about.

Upon their return, students realized the many differences between the countries. The most common difference was the amount of work that had to be done.

"American students have a lot more outside school work than French students," senior Sarah Dunn said, "Plus I have to work for myscholarship."

Junior Andrea Hein spent five weeks in Australia. When she returned. she missed the relationships that she had formed with the students there.

"After being around those 21 people always for

five weeks, it's weird not to be around those people anymore," Hein said.

While there were some downsides to returning home, there was a commonupsideamongallthe students. They all learned to look at their own lives and country in a new light.

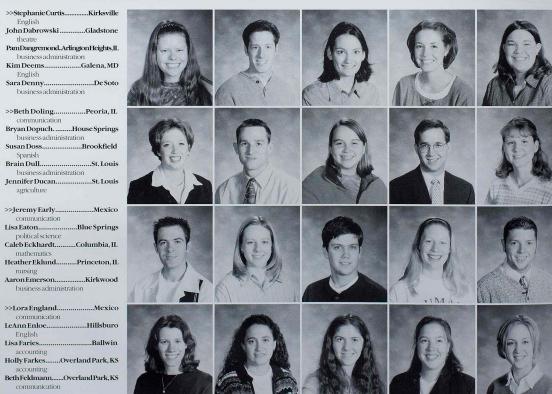
"I learned how much I like my own country," Dunn said. "It was a real revelation."

Students also learned how other people felt about the United States.

"They were so excited aboutsightsandparksthat we have over here," Hein

Although readjusting to life in the United States and the University could be difficult, students said that their experiences in the Study Abroad Program were well worth it.







Senior Adrian Stone and alumna Mary Beth Donovan visit Mont Saint Michel in France. Students took field trips as part of the Study Abroad Program. These trips were often part of the program through the University. (photo by Sarah Dunn)

THE REALITIES

- ●The University offered 118 programs in 38 countries
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 The most popular countries included Australia,
 Costa Rica, England,
- France, Ireland and Spain

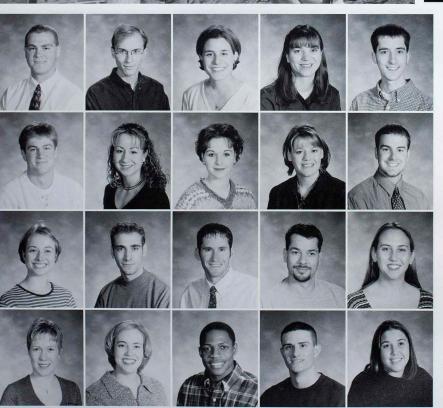
 Students could go for a semester, an academic year or a summer
- Study abroad trips ranged from \$5,000-\$8,000, plus air fare

facts are from Center for International Education Abroad

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DESTINATION

By Sara Stites

UNKNOWN

If classes, papers, work and extracurricular activities were not enough for seniors toworry about, many had the extra burden of applying to graduate school.

The application process for graduate school was not a simple task. Many schools required extensive written applications, essays, personal statements, recommen-

>>Janine Hall.....St. Peters

psychology

dations, interviews and even an application fee, ranging anywhere from \$25 to \$100.

Senior Colleen Born felt the pressure of time constraints and had to devote her semester break to filling out forms for various schools.

"It is the best feeling in the world to send an application off," Born said. process even began for senior Brad Peuster, he felt the pressure looming over him.

"It is another very big decision," Peuster said. "It's a lot like trying to choose an undergrad college."

The lengthy process was not the only intimidating aspect of applying to graduate school. Students worried about indents worried about in-

tense classes, heavier work loads and unfamiliar surroundings.

Acceptance to graduate school allowed seniors to relax and look forward to what lay ahead.

"It is a big relief to finally know where you are going, to know that you are going to have a life after this," senior Katie Poeppel said.





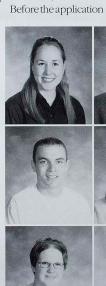
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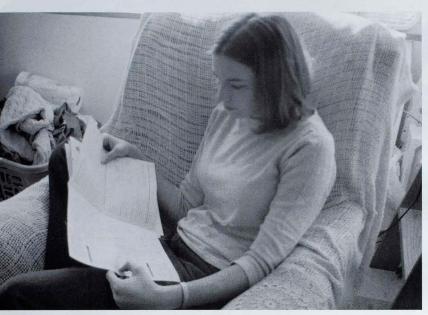








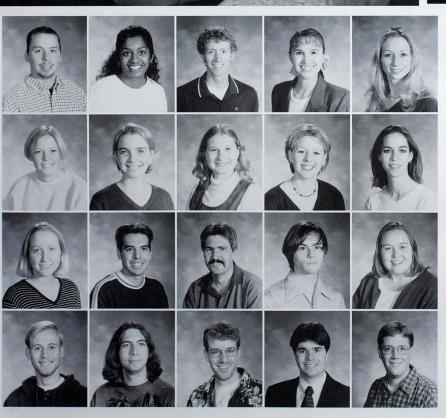




Senior Janeen Traen looks at information on Johns Hopkins University. Students often applied to several graduate schools before making a final choice. The application process involved references, personal mission statements and GRE scores. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

THE REALITIES

- ●36.4 percent of Truman State University students attended graduate school
- 52.5 percent of University students scored above the 50th percentile on the Graduate Record Examination
- 18.9 percent of University students were above the 80th percentile on the GRE
- The cost to take the GRE was \$99



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AUTOMOBILE

By Ally Mizulski

MADNESS

s students rolled into town exhausted and out of gas from a weekend rendezvous, their cars were promptly returned to the parking lots and driveways of their Kirksville homes.

Not all students had the resources to get up and drive home or to Wal-Mart, so they depended on the good will

and the automobile of errands off-campus. another student.

hassle people for rides all of the time [if I had a car]," freshman Jenny Hughes said. "I could go home whenever I wanted

wheels said not having a carwasan inconvenience, but most of the time it was easy to find a ride for order to park on campus.

Students with cars said "I wouldn't have to the advantages outweighed the disadvantages. They had the liberty and ability to go wherever they wanted whenever they wanted.

A disadvantage to Many students without owning a vehicle was general maintenance costs.

Students also had to buy parking stickers in The cost of the parking stickers ranged from \$15 to \$50. Students had to pay \$50 for commuter (blue) and residential (green) decals and \$15 for park and save (gold) de-

As students drove out of the parking lot, they cranked up their radios and prepared themselves for another ride down the highway.



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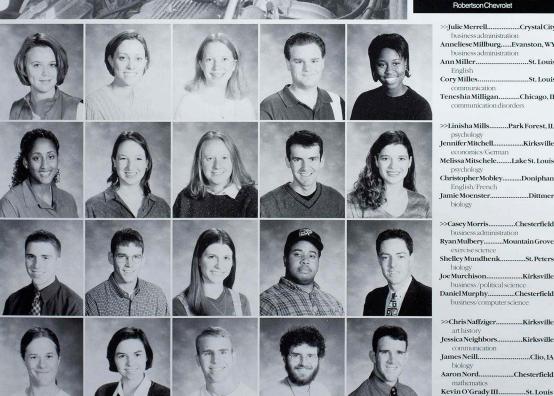


Sophomore Nicole Kilburn pours antifreeze into her car. Students had to make sure they got their cars tuned up, a task that parents normally did. (photo by Tinia Gray)

THE REALITIES

- ●Cost of gas in February 2000 was \$1.35 per gallon
- ●2000 Pontiac Grand Am Sedan base price was \$19,760
- Cost of insurance for a 20year-old female with one speeding ticket who was not on parents' policy was \$1,142 for every six months
- •Cost of insurance for a 20year-old female with one speeding ticket who was on parents' policy was \$539 for every six months

facts were from AAA Insurance and Jim Robertson Chevrolet



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KEEPING

SPIRITS RAISED

Mascots entertained crowds through wins and losses

By Andrew Ashbaugh

hey were Truman State University's biggest sports fans. Students found them at most home football and basketball games regardless of weather or score. They were obnoxious and silly and always stuck with the teams.

These die-hard fans were Spike and Simone Bulldog – the University's mascots. Although casual spectators dismissed the pair of furry, gray canines that helped lead cheers, they played an important role in creating the festive atmosphere of an athletic event.

"We don't have a lot to do other than just have a good time and help everybody else have a good time," junior Will Enochs, Spike, said. "I taunt the other team, play with [Simone], steal people's hats, take their food and basically just wreak havoc."

Spike and Simone were especially popular with the younger members of the crowd.

"I think [the mascot] is someone the little kids look up to," senior Erica Oborny, Simone, said. "Simone is supposed to have superhuman qualities, so they admire her."

Being a mascot was not all fun and games.

"You have to get used to walking with feet that are three times your size, so a lot of the time you trip," senior Leah Dooley, who has been Simone several times, said. "The head is kind of like a helmet with a chin strap and you look through the mouth, so you have no peripheral vision."

The primary goal was to keep the crowd's spirits and energy level high. When games were less than exciting, this became a full-time task.

"Truman crowds tend to get into games when they're close," Obomy said. "When we're losing by a lot or even when we're winning by a lot, nobody cares. That's when I go into the audience and interact more. I'll sneak up behind older people and cover their eyes or I'll wiggle my butt in front of high school guys and watch them all turn red and gawk."



Simone, a Truman State University mascot, sits with a family at a football game in Stokes Stadium on Family Day. Children often enjoyed playing with the mascot during the games. The mascots kept fans entertained in the stands and on the track.





A boy laughs as Simone, one of the mascots, tickles him. Walking through the stands and interacting with the crowd was a part of the mascots' routine for games. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)



PERCEPTIONS

"Tve always been an athlete and I never got to do that up here, so this is my [chance] to be an athlete. I feel really close to the teams because I am out there with them on the field and follow their every move. Plus, quite a few of the basketball players are my friends, so it's like Fm cheering them on in my own little way."

-Erica Oborny senior

REALITIES

- Mascots were not required to practice during the week
- Mascots got involved through association with the cheerleading coaches
- •Mascots cheered at football and basketball games and participated in special Truman State University events such as Family Day and Dog Days



RESIDENTIAL

By Jo Ann Croghan

he decision to be a student adviser on campus carried more responsibility than most students realized.

The residential halls entrusted SAs with important tasks and the selection process was rigorous and very professional. Some were overwhelmed by the process while others were not.

"I wouldn't say it was overwhelming," junior SA Kurt Ulmer said. "The requirements weren't that bad."

The selection process included a lengthy application and three 30-minute interviews.

Interested students prepared themselves differently. Some participated in mock interviews to prepare. Interviewees also had the opportunity to familiarize themselves with a handout on behavioral and verbal responses that the interviewers would look upon positively.

"I refused to prepare myself for the interviews," freshman Ben Davis said. "I felt that if I prepared myself my responses would seem fake. I wanted to answer their questions straightforward and honestly."

SELECTIONS

Despite the demanding SA selection process, many students battled through it and became a leader in their residential hall or college. The process helped residential living officials choose students they felt would make good leaders and set good examples for residents.







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Kristi Russell....

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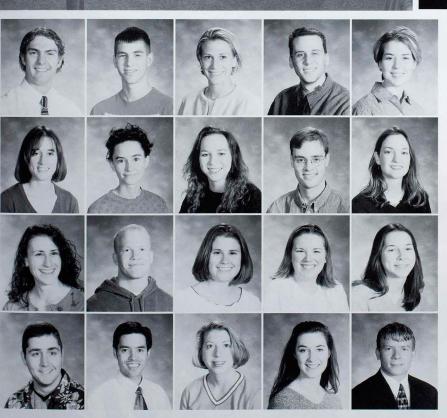


Cirrentstudentadvisers, sophomore Liz Maloney of Brewer Hall and sophomore Ellen Axmear of Nason Hall conduct an interview with freshman Megan Lewis. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

THE REALITIES

- ●Approximately 100 students applied to be student advisers for 2000-01 academic year ● There was 1 SA in Randolph
- Apartments

 There were 2 SAs in Fair Apart-
- ments
- ●There were 3 SAs in Campbell Apartments and EC Grim
- There were 11 SAs in Blanton,
 Brewer, Dobson and Nason Halls
 There were 18 SAs in Ryle Hall
- ●There were 19 SAs in Centennial Hall
- ●There were 30 SAs in Missouri Hall
- ●SAs eamed two-thirds room and board plus \$100 per semester



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| anthropology/sociology/math |
| Jason SavageRaytown |
| business administration |
| Stephanie SchlegelSt. Louis |
| biology |
| Paul SchmitzSt. Louis |
| justice systems |
| Lizzie SchuermanAinsworth, IA English |
| >>KristySeBlonkaBartonville,IL |
| English |
| Amelie SellSt. Louis |
| anthropology/sociology |
| Rebecca SharpeKirksville |
| mathematics |
| Josh ShiveSt. Peters |
| communication |
| Emily SidesBallwin |
| communication disorders |
| >>Keri SileaSt. Peters |
| history |
| Shawn SlickNaperville, IL |
| communication |
| JenniferSlinkardHolt |
| English |
| Jennifer SmartOmaha, NE |
| biology |
| Julie SmithSt, Charles |
| communication disorders |
| |
| >>Mitch SoderbergHazelwood |
| mathematics/physics |
| Lucas SooHooKirksville |
| English |
| Kathryn SpiegelPeosta, IL |
| nursing |
| Debbie StrangeManchester |
| business administration |
| Nathan StarkByron, IL |
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business administration

PARENTS AS

By Megan Watson

istractions such as television or dorm rooms made students' schoolwork harder. However, some students' attention and time were led astray by their chil-

A small number of Truman State University students were parents, making their lives even more complicated.

"You have to give up least see how much time all selfishness," senior Brock Neill said. "Everything has to go into the family."

Neill and his wife. Monica, had a 5-monthold son.

"It gives you a different perspective," Neill said. "I don't think a lot of students realize all that their parents have put into their lives. I can at my parents have done now."

Senior Josh Wright and his wife, Mandy, had a 7month-old son. He said there were negative aspects of raising a child while in school.

"It's pretty stressful to try to support a family people," Wright said. "That's been the most challenging thing about being a father and a college student."

Student-parents had a different definition of time management, but the community was a good environment for starting a family.

thus far," Wright said.



25 EOPLE



Mandy and Josh Wright play with their son, Jonah, in their home. The Wrights divided their time between family, work and school to be with their baby. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

THE REALITIES

Additional costs:

- •a 48 pack of pampers cost \$12.97
- Carnation Good Start baby formula cost \$16.97 for 32 ounces
- •a Graco Infant Car Seat/ Carrier/Stroller cost \$169.96
- •a Verona wooden crib cost \$99.96
- •a Graco high chair cost \$39.96
- Gerber baby food cost \$0.44 for a 4-ounce jar

facts are from Wal-Mart









>>Sally Walz.....Naperville, IL business administration Jason Ward......Maryland Heights biology Megan Watson.....Rockford communication Rebecca Weintraub......Manchester agricultural science Laura Westhoff......Florissant psychology >>HollyWherry.....FairGrove biology David Widitz....St. Louis biology/psychology Vivian Willemsen......Pella, IA anthropology/sociology/justice systems

Kiya Willis.....Bolingbrook, IL

Nicole Winters......St. Louis business administration

psychology



TEACHING WHILE LEARNING

Graduated students returned to campus, this time to start their careers

By John Hagen

Should have graduated around campus made other students ask why they were still here. Many of these students were not fifth-year seniors but graduate students working toward a master's degree.

Some students researched and developed a thesis for their degree while others performed a case study for the Master of Arts in Education program. The most popular job was the Graduate Teaching/Research Assistant

(GTRA) positions.

These teaching positions not only gave graduate students their first opportunity to take responsibility for a class, they also afforded the graduate students a supportive environment for developing their teaching skills.

Peggy Zahner, a GTRA in the music department, taught a group vocal class as well as individual voice lessons.

"I wanted to have this GTRA position because I wanted to have more experience in studio

teaching," Zahner said.

Programs varied from one department to the next. All GTRA's received supervision from resident faculty members, but each department had its own way of teaching the students how to teach others.

The atmosphere remained relaxed in the history department. Matt Caldwell, American Institutional History GTRA, could teach the class however he pleased, but his adviser had to approve the syllabus first.

The Division of Language and Literature, however, required its graduate students to meet once a week to discuss ideas and exchange portfolios. All graduate students also had to teach one section per semester of Writing as Critical Thinking.

"We really think that being a GTRA contributes enormously to a student's self-education at the master's level," said Adam Davis, coordinator of graduate studies for the Division of Language and Literature. "The master's degree work would be very incomplete without class-room experience."

The graduate students found

the GTRA positions enjoyable as well as educational.

"GTRA is a blast," Caldwell said. "If I could come back and somehow get a GTRA position next spring, I'd love it. It's a lot more fun than going to class."



Evan Getz, Writing as Critical Thinking GTRA professor, discusses imperialism. Part of the Graduate Teaching/Research Assistant's job was to meet with other GTRA's to share ideas. (photo by Tinia Gray)



Gradute student Paula Lampe is running through various scales on the piano to warmup sophomore Suzanne Chappelow for her vocal lesson. Lampe had been instructing vocalists at Truman State University for two years. (photo by Ashleigh Starke)



PERCEPTIONS

"It's kind of difficult now teaching college kids because you're still their peer, so you're a teacher but you're a student too, and it's kind of hard to keep that line straight."

> -Paula Lampe, graduate student

REALITIES

- 60 out of 200 graduate students were Graduate Teaching/ Research Assistants each year
- At least 20 of the GTRAs taught a class in addition to attending school full-time
- ●GTRA's received a paycheck and 9 hours of tuition free in exchange for the work they did at Truman State University













>>Emily Gluesing......Camanche, Ia math Joshua Johnston.....Hendersonville, Tn

history
Elizabeth Kelemen......Florissant

Elizabeth Kelemen.......Florissant history Carolyn Vibbert......Wescosville, Pa

elementary education

Kristen Von Gruben.......Glencox
secondary education

ANYTHING

By Katie Riley

BUT DEAD

In an effort to amuse themselves while students studied hard, some Truman State University staff and Kirksville residents did the unthinkable—they merged their talents to form a rock and roll/bluesband.

Deadwood was an eclectic mix of a scientist, a linguist, a blue-collar worker and others.

"The coolest thing about Deadwood is that only one of us is a musician by trade," Michele Ralston said. "We have the coolest conversations, good socializing and good music."

The band formed in the spring of 1998 to play at a benefit for the English and classics literary societies. When they saw the need for a good blues band, Deadwood steppeduptofillthevoid.

They practiced and performed once a week and recorded their first CD in November 1998.

Ralston enjoyed singing with Deadwood because of the freedom she had to express herself with the lyrics.

"The blues singing has really allowed me a lot of creativity," Ralston said. "Before I would sing it the way it was recorded, but now I often don't get the chance to necessarily hear how it was originally recorded. I have to rely on what comes out of me."

She also said the band members enjoyed each other's company.

"Everyone's in the band because they want to be," Ralston said.



>>Dawood Afzal science

StephenAllen

business and accounting John Applegate

human potential and performance **Donna Bailey**

math and computer science

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>>CarlBaldwin

mail services

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>>Patricia Burton social science

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DebraCartwright

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John Cash

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>>Holly Christy advancement

Barb Clark

president's office

DavidClithero

advancement, governmental relations **Paula Cochran**

human potential and performance

Royce Cook

business office





eadwood Band takes the Deadwood at the Writing Center Conference. The campus band was made up of various University staffmembers and local Kirksville residents. The band debuted in 1998 and continued to do live performances and made a CD. (photo by Tina Patel)

THE REALITIES

Members of the band:

- Michele Ralston, Univer-
- sity counselor: vocalist •Mike Hooley, fine arts:
- percussionist •lan Lindevald, science: lyricist
- Aaron Ralston, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine employee: guitarrist
- Clifton Kreps, language and literature: instrumentalist



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Kathy Elsea financial aid Marty Erickson

math and computer science

Patricia Ferguson library

Jerry Findling student union

>>David Fortney language and literature **JeffGall**

social science Janet Gooch

human potential and performance Lisa Guillory-Parsons

human potential and performance Susan Hamilton library

>>Todd Hammond math and computer science

Jason Haxton residential living

Barbara Heard education

Traci Hill

president's office David Hoffman student affairs office

STUDENT

By Amy Sanders

AFFAIRS

fter more than one vear of searching, Truman State University finally located a dean of student affairs. Diane Pfeifer came to the University from Tennessee Weslevan College in Athens.

Pfeifer started on Nov. 1 and filled the position vacated by Mark Shanley.

Shanley left the University in August 1998 for a position with Northern Kentucky University in Highland Heights.

Pfeifer oversaw several areas of student interests in her job as dean of students. Athletics, residential living. multicultural affairs, the Student Health Center and Greek life all fell under the domain of the student affairs office.

Pfeifer said she felt the University community had been very welcom-

"It has been a wonderful feeling," Pfeifer said. "Everybody has just been so open and warm."

While at the University, Pfeifer wanted to encourage interaction

between students and the administration. Communication was one of the areas Pfeifer emphasized.

"It is an ongoing process," Pfeifer said. "The exact same thing that you strive for can be the most challenging. I don't know if there is a right answer out there. If there was, I'd be rich and I would not be here."



>>RogerJohnson physical plant **Brenda Killen**

business office Barbara Kline

human potential and performance Ronald A. Knight

math and computer science

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library Jack Magruder

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human potential and performance Kelly Pigg

business office Robin Pillen

financial aid **JanetRomine** library

























Diane Pfeiferunpacksbooks and binders in her new office. Pfeifer made many trips to Athens, Tenn., before completely moving all her belongings to Kirksville. (photo by Tina Patel)

THE REALITIES

●Diane Pfeifer came to Truman State University from Tennessee Wesleyan College in Athens, Tenn.

 Pfeifer had a bachelor's degree in sociology and master's degree in counseling from Fort Hays State University

•She had a doctorate in college student personnel administration from the University of Northern Colorado

●She served as a liason between students and the administration at the University

> >>Frank Santoro business and accounting

Ruth Schutte library Betty Sue Smith Glenna Somerfield business office John Stewart















library

Laura Thrasher

business office

James Turner business and accounting

Dean Van Galen chief advancement officer









>>JoAnn Weekley

human potential and performance

Aubin Whitmer advancement

Carolyn Wriedt business office

business office LeAnn Yantis

Ann Yantis advancement Senior Tyler Schmitt looks at negatives of a poster created by the Publications Office before the poster is printed. The Publications Office was responsible for creating a majority of the posters seen around campus.



PERCEPTIONS

"We want designers to grow. If the project is detailed with lots of content, then [the professional staff members] try to handle it. We try to give [the student workers] pieces that would be good for their portfolios."

-Cindi Farmer Graphics Supervisor

REALITIES

- Eight students worked in the publications office
- Three professional staff workers had jobs in the publications office
- •Students worked 20 hours per week
- Professional staff worked 40 or more hours per week
- Student workers were visual communication majors
- Job description included conceptualizing, designing and producing artwork on computer







MORE THAN

MEETS THE EYE

Truman State University's Publications Office created posters and booklets displayed throughout campus

By Adam Gebhardt

thanges from a press and film system to a computer system allowed Truman State University's Publications Office, which was in charge of professionally printed posters and booklets on campus, to improve its system.

Before 1974, former director Bob Zeni designed all the posters and booklets for the University by himself, current director Winston Vanderhoof said. In the fall of 1974 the task became overwhelming, so Zeni taught a design course and enlisted the help of two student designers. The next semester Zeni brought in three more students for help, including Vanderhoof. Zeni, tired of teaching the design class, turned it into a lab. Eventually the lab turned into a paving job for students. Vanderhoof said.

Graphics Supervisor Cindi Farmer had worked in the office for 15 years. Farmer said design was something that could be completely self-taught.

The publications office also created most organization posters, the alumni magazine and most of the University booklets and pamphlets, Farmer said.

The publication services were easy to use and free for all groups

or individuals associated with the University.

"The process is pretty easy," Farmer said. "Our clients come in and fill out a work order and request what they want. We receive about 1,500 work orders a year."

Senior student designer Tyler Schmitt said he enjoyed the types of assignments he was given, although he sometimes felt he needed to guide the client in a better direction.

"Sometimes the way they

want it is poopy," Schmitt said. "Sometimes we need to kind of hint they may want something different than the design they originally intended."

Schmitt said he believes working in the publications office was a good experience.

"I've got some valuable experience and I've learned how to please a client. Those are all important aspects in design jobs," Schmitt said.



Junior Alison Robins, freshman Jennifer Ronkoski and senior Tyler Schmitt examine color schemes for poster layouts. This was one of the preliminary steps in design. (photos by Tina Patel)

>>Autumn Abeln, freshman Elizabeth Abram, freshman Gale Adair, junior Heather Adams, junior Jennifer Adams, junior Julie Adams, sophomore

>> John Adrianse, freshman Erica Agnew, freshman Katie Albers, junior Stephanie Allder, sophomore Emmanuelle Alvarez, freshman Gertrude Amakye, junior

>>Ashley Amer, freshman Laura Andersen, freshman Lori Anderson, junior Kathleen Anslemo, junior Tina Anshus, junior Tracy Argao, sophomore

>>Anaeli Arvelo, freshman Andrew Ashbaugh, sophomore Larry Asberry, Jr., sophomore Kimberly Austin, sophomore Ellen Axmear, sophomore Sarah Bagby, freshman

>>Chrissy Baker, sophomore Erica Baker, freshman Nicole Baker, junior Neil Baldwin, freshman Larissa Ball, junior Michelle Bandy, junior

>>Angela Bangert, sophomore Sarah Barmard, junior Sarah Barnest, junior Melanie Barrett, sophomore Shanna Basala, freshman Margaret Bauer, junior

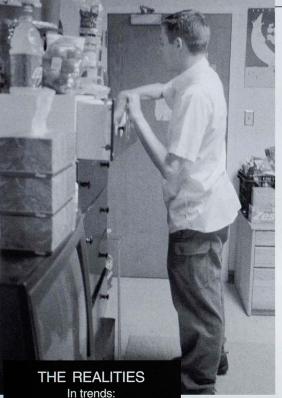
>>Stephanie Bauman, freshman Renee Becker, sophomore Cheryl Beckley, freshman Meghan Behrends, sophomore Sara Jane Bell, junior Julie Bender, junior

>> Joseph Benedict, junior Angela Benton, junior Julie Berger, junior Katie Bergthold, freshman Lisa Berna, junior Suzanne Berry, junior



DECORATING DETAILS

By Carey Michenfelder



inflatable furniture \$15-80 \$4-9 Christmas lights lawn decorations \$10-40

black lights

●lava lamps

beaded curtains candles

desk ornaments

\$5-15 garage sale furniture \$5-25

Sophomore Greg Thompsondigs in achestofdrawersfora sweatshirtas he heads to class. Thompson and his roommates moved all their beds into one room and made the other room into a lounge. Many students personalized theirrooms.(photoby Elizabeth Hoppis)

ome sweet dorm. Reminders of old L lifestyles students had athomeheldaspecialmeaning.

Whether it was the chair that allowed all worries to be forgotten or the stuffed animal that held so many memories, students started a life of their own at Truman State University with some influences from home.

Students had to be sure that they did not pack too much. Rooms allowed limited space to fit all of the trinkets from home, and the arrangement of furniture playeda key role in getting everything to fit.

Freshmen roommates Susan Guittar and Katie England managed their space well. They had room for a full-size sleeper sofa along with the other campus-supplied furniture. They said the homey feeling came from the stuffed animals thrown around the room and the Twister rug underneath the couch.

The well-worn couch was Guittar's contribution, which she boughtfor\$10. She never passed an opportunity to go to garage sales or thrift stores. Even with all her unique findings, Guittar said she could live without them.

"I'm the kind of person who can go out into the wilderness and be just fine," Guittar said. "Well, I guessIcan't go without my toothbrush."

Junior Jason Savage and his roomates placed white and yellow ducks in their "yard" and strung indoor lights. Savage and hisroommatesremovedtheroom numbertomakespaceforaposter of the movie "Urban Menace."

"We've never heard of the movie," Savage said. "It was the worst poster we could find."

Sophomore R.J. Pratt strung the indoor lights around the walls, usingthenumerousnailsthatwere there from previous tenants.

The three roommates decorated with palm trees, flamingos, Elvis Preslev and Chicago Cubs signs and Mardi Gras decorations.

"This is a lot like my room at home," Pratt said.

Someone stole a few of their outdoor ornaments, so they said they armed themselves with Nerf guns in case the thieves returned.

Creativity was not limited to rooms and apartments. The second floor in Missouri Hall lacked a cross-over. Residents decided to brighten up the dreary lounge by constructing imaginary rooms, hanging lights and adding a sign that said "Pershing Palace.

Students had distinct ways of making their lodging more relaxing. Some brought beat-up couches while others had weird lampsthat served as a decoration.

Studentsmadeuseofthespace provided to make a temporary home.







\$15-30

\$10-20

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>>Alison Berti, sophomore Peter Bess, freshman Jill Bieber, sophomore Laura Birchfield, freshman John Bisges, freshman Amanda Black, freshman

>>Jonathon Black, sophomore Mindy Blackford, sophomore Beth Boehme, freshman Kaite Boettcher, sophomore Gary Bokermann, freshman Jeremy Bono, freshman

>>Jeff Borgmeyer, sophomore Katice Bost, freshman Micheal Bourneuf, freshman Jennifer Bouwers, sophomore Jamie Bowen, freshman Matt Bowen, junior

>>Deena Boyd, junior Samantha Bracket, freshman Ayanna Bradley, freshman Heather Brady, junior Sarah Brandenburger, freshman Kyle Branson, freshman

>>Michael Braun, sophomore Matt Britt, freshman Melissa Brittain, junior Matthew Brooker, freshman Tony Brookins, junior Cecil Brooks, freshman

>>Joseph Brooks, freshman Colleen Brown, sophomore Jeremy Brown, freshman Suzanne Bryan, junior Sarina Buchholtz, freshman Zac Burden, freshman

>>Catherine Burnett, junior Alicia Busse, freshman Lane Butler, junior Rebecca Byers, junior Rahil Calcuttawala, junior David Capps, freshman

>>Sarah Carle, junior Allison Carr, sophomore Christina Carr, junior Natasha Carter, junior Brian Casey, sophomore Jean Cauwenbergh, sophomore

>>Michael Chen, sophomore Nathan Chisholm, sophomore Amy Christensen, freshman Rachael Christmas, sophomore Kylie Christopherson, junior Christina Clark, freshman



BEATING

BOREDOM

CREATIVE STUDENTS FIND BIZARRE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTION, "WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?"

By Tracy Baiotto

art races at Wal-Mart, snowball fights, residence hall dance parties. The origins of these actions were unknown, but many said these oddities stemmed from boredom rising out of the Kirksvilleatmosphere. Some students categorized these behaviors as trips down memory lane or methods of stress relief.

Sophomore Adam Wehner beat the quiet nights with a midnight run or a Playstation game.

"I go to Hastings once in a while and rent air force games and play them upside down just for shits and grins," Wehner said.

Instead of turning the television over, he created the challenge by hanging off a table on his back. The entertainment increased the difficulty level. Up was down and right was left.

Students were also known to concoct fun methods of showing appreciation to their friends. Junior Marci Garner and a friend composed a scavenger hunt leading to personalized thank-you gifts.

"They are a group of fun guys, and we wanted to make them work for [the presents]," Garner said.

They created clues which sent the guys driving all over before they found the gifts inside one of their own apartments.

Practical jokes served as another source of diversion. Some students gave secret admirer notes or put snowballs in other student's beds. "On someone's birthday we saran-wrapped their door and pulled it tight since it's clear and they can't see it, and they walk right into it," senior Olivia Ramsay said.

Students traveled to other

places for a change of scenery. Junior Erica Asher attended a rodeo in Lancaster, Mo.

"It had cow roping, broncos and barrel racing, and I'm from St. Louis and [had] never seen it before," Asher said.

Feshman Kristen Shelver plays in Wal-Mart amongst hunting clothes with a gun from the toy section. Wal-Mart offered many opportunities for students to procrastinate from their studies. (photo by Amanda Rutherford)



THE REALITIES

College Entertainment:

- •Leisure World
- ●Pancake City
- Thousand Hills State Park
- Traveling to see friends or family
- •Bars
- Wal-Mart
- Petite Three Movie Cinema













>>Christine Clark, junior Manuel Clark, junior Marilyn Clark, sophomore Vicki Clark, freshman Brooke Clayton, freshman David Cleaver, sophomore

>>Hayley Clevenger, freshman Rachael Clouse, freshman Walter Coats, junior Anna Codutti, sophomore Charlie Coffey, freshman Lindsay Combs, freshman



Campus

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By Ginny Windels

tudents who were tired of dorm life but did not want to move off campus found a happy medium with campus apartments.

Approximately 300 students lived in the University's three apartment complexes:

Campbell, Randolph and Fair Apartments.

Campbell housed students in 64 twoto-four-person apartments. Each included a living room, kitchen and dinette and was furnished with a couch, beds, a table and chairs, a dresser and an end table

Residents said there were many ad-

vantages to living in Campbell Apartments.

"You get to eat whenever you want, and it is a lot better than eating the dorm food," sophomore Matt Schmit said.

"There aren't fire alarms at four in the morning and you don't have to worry about noise."

Campbell also allowed students more freedom while still feel like you have more free-

being close to campus.

Randolph Apartments lodged 30 students, divided into three- to-four-person units. Residents had central air and paid for their own electricity. The apartments included a living room, kitchen, bath,

> bedroom(s), closets, beds, a dresser, desks, a couch, chairs and carpeting. Laundry was done in Dobson Hall.

Fair Apartments housed 87 students on the full meal plan. Laundry facilities were available as well as a hall desk and one student adviser.

"Fair are the only apartments that have meal plans," senior Emily Bennett, Fair Apartments' student adviser, said. "There are not as many people as in the dorms, so there is more privacy and it is ideal for upperclassmen."

Residents said they also liked the atmosphere of Fair Apart-

"I like it better because you

Sopho-more Bridget Muldoonis beginning tocookanothersnack her kitchen. This was one of the manybenefits of livinginanoncampus apartment. (photo by TiniaGray)



dom and privacy, but you still have the meal plan," sophomore Robin Manley said. "Also, you don't have to check in at night [as with the dorms]."

All three complexes had designated smoking units and cable television was available through Cable One.

As with all campus housing, the University expected apartment residents to follow the campus conduct code.

Jason Haxton, Residential Living director, said there were many advantages to living in campus apartments versus living off

"Campus apartments are an incentive to award students who stay on campus," Haxton said.

THE REALITIES

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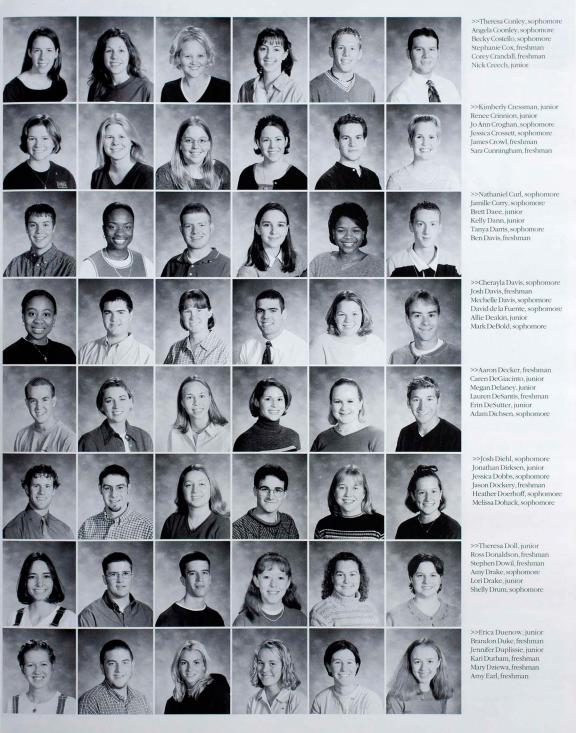
- All apartments are furnished or partially furnished
- •Fair apartments have a meal plan

"It is about \$400 less expensive to live in the apartments. You are paying for nine months of rent, but actually getting 10."

Campus apartments allowed students to have more freedom than residence halls provided while receiving the benefits of campus housing.

NOT QUITE **OFF CAMPUS**

Tired of dorm life but not wanting to move off campus...



>>Richard East, sophomore Jenn Eatherton, junior Cynthia Edwards, freshman Elizabeth Eggers, junior Sarah Ekman, sophomore Jay Elton, sophomore

>>Chadwick Epps, freshman Kristen Erekson, sophomore Angela Ernst, sophomore Melissa Essinger, freshman Tony Esterly, sophomore Holly Estrem, freshman

>>Beth Evers, freshman Jenny Fadler, junior Jason Fagan, freshman Beth Fahmey, freshman Audra Fanning, freshman Victoria Farny, freshman

>>Valerie Fend, freshman Heather Fester, junior David Fischer, freshman Jamie Fischer, freshman Tara Fischer, freshman Christina Fish, sophomore

>>Nicole Flickinger, junior Jodi Flowers, junior Valerie Flury, junior Vanessa Foppe, freshman Merina Foster, junior Rebecca Foster, freshman

>>Melanie Freidline, junior John Friederich, freshman Antitria Frye, freshman Regan Fuemmeler, freshman Susan Fuhrman, freshman Megan Futhey, freshman

>>Angela Gain, freshman Donna Gallo, freshman James Gallo, sophomore Nicole Gandy, freshman Lori Garfield, sophomore Marci Garner, junior

>>Tara Gasaway, junior Jen Gatheman, freshman Cabell Gathman, sophomore Melissa Gebhardt, freshman Charlotte George, junior Tony Germano, freshman















>>Faith Givan, freshman Amy Glaser, junior Jeff Gloe, freshman Abigail Goedeker, junior Tricia Goen, freshman Matthew Goessling, sophomore

plug it in,

PLUG IT IN

Students with personal computers had access to the Ethernet in dorm rooms

By Jessica Sausto

ww.this.computer.is/taking.so/long.com.
Truman State University installed the Ethernet campus-wide as part of the University's master plan.

Chad Tatro, client services coordinator of Information Technology Services, said their goal was to improve the services they offered and to increase the availability of these services.

"There are more students with computers on campus and we are allowing them to plug into their dorm rooms," Tatro said.

Controversy arose over the worthiness of the Ethernet, but many faculty and students welcomed it.

"There's a demand from teachers to have access via the Ethernet network," Rose Marie Smith, ITS secretary, said. "It is necessary for the success of students in their academics."

Upperclassmen said they were

THE REALITIES

- •It took three months to install the Ethernet in seven buildings
- ●There were 3,000 new network ports
- ●The University spent \$1,000,000 installing the Ethernet

Junior Heather Crane is using the new Ethernet lines to her advantage. Crane, along with many other students, used the Ethernet to check e-mail and to do research. Students were glad to have the Ethernet despite the metal pipes running through the rooms. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

Controversy arose about the worthiness of the Ethernet...

grateful for the Ethernet because of their experiences without it.

"At first I was really mad that I had to buy a \$50 Ethernet card," junior Melissa Shriver said. "But now I like it because everything is there for you. Last year I would spend 20 minutes trying to get on line..."

Setting up the Ethernet frustrated many students. Some said

the Ethernet was not worth the hassle. Some also said they had complications setting up the Ethernet in their rooms or had to buy a new Ethernet card.

"My roommates and I visited the technology center at least 10 times," freshman Joy Schmitz said. "It took two months for the Ethernet to get set up in our room and it only got set up then because my

roommate's dad rebuilt the entire hard drive."

Other students felt that the installment of the Ethernet was a good advancement and beneficial to the student body.

"Ethernet is better than a dial up account because it's faster, doesn't use our phone lines and we are on the Truman [State University] network," freshman Mike Flynn said.

STUDENT

ESCORT SERVICE

Department of Public Safety student auxiliaries helped provide a presence of safety on campus

By Dustin Roasa

hey could be seen patrolling campus at night. They escorted students late at night and locked building doors and windows. They were the Department of Public Safety student auxiliaries.

Junior Andrew Kottwitz had been a student auxiliary for DPS since the summer of 1999. He was the student auxiliary assistant manager and said they served an important purpose.

"We are the eyes and ears of the officers," Kottwitz said.

Student auxiliaries took care of

the work that DPS officers did not have time to do, Kottwitz said. Auxiliary duties included locking doors and windows in variousbuildingson campus, providing escorts for students and working security for special events such as basketball games, he said. They were on duty from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The main difference between student auxiliaries and the actual officers was that students were not certified to carry firearms, Kottwitz said.

Senior Lindsy Switser, stu-

dent auxiliary manager, stressed the difference between officers and auxiliaries.

"We provide a presence on campus, but it's the job of officers to handle emergency situations," Switser said. "Our main job is non-criminal activities. This frees up officers to concentrate on criminal activities."

Through her years of service in DPS, Switser said she came to appreciate the intricacies of the University.

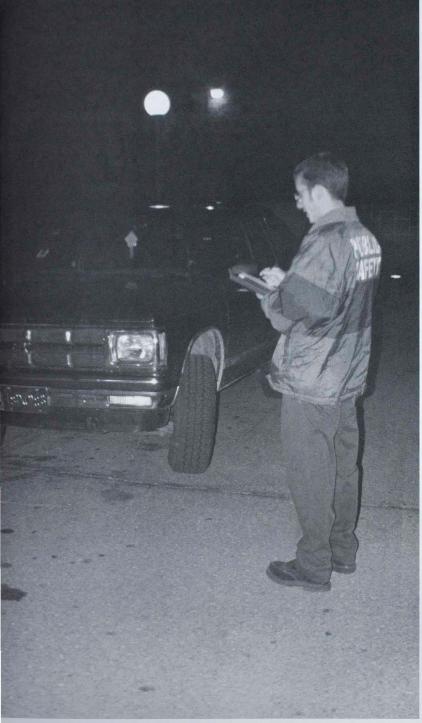
"One of the cool things about being a student auxiliary is that I know a lot of things about campus," Switser said. "I know where all the hidden tunnels are in the buildings. It's kind of interesting."

Student auxiliaries saw many things on campus, but some student auxiliaries never experienced anything extremely out of the ordinary. Kottwitz said he had not seen anything strange.

"I've been pretty lucky," Kottwitz said. "I haven't had any strange experiences yet, but I've only been working here since last summer."



Senior Josh Raaz works the dispatch at Department of Public Safety headquarters. Truman State University students could call the dispatacher for escorts and admission into locked rooms.



Junior Andrew Kottwitz writes a ticket for a car that is illegally parked. Department of Public Safety student auxiliary members helped with non-emergency situations. (photos by Tina Patel)



PERCEPTIONS

"I think it is great that we have [Department of Public Safety student auxiliary]. They are our peers, so students find it easy to trust them. They understand where we are coming from and they don't jump to conclusions."

-Beth Hart senior

REALITIES

- Selection process for Department of Public Safety student auxiliary was more selective than the process for most on-campus jobs
- •Selection process involved an extensive interview and background check
- A criminal background check included contacting the Kirksville police department, sheriff's department and a student's hometown police department
- Student auxiliary members had to keep a 2.0 GPA and remain full-time students



>>Bridgette Goodwin, junior Matthew Gorton, junior Dustin Gossett, freshman Luke Gott, junior Joshua Grahlmann, freshman Magalie Graux, freshman













By Lizzie Schuerman

Students at Truman State University took a stab at body piercing and tattooing as the trend of body art swept across the nation.

Newsweekmagazine reported nearly 20 million Americans sported tattoos while Business First magazine claimed the majority of people who had body piercings were between the ages of 18 and 25.

Junior Ryan Wiedmeyer had one tattoo, three ear piercings and an eyebrow ring.

"It is a symbol of uniqueness and it makes you stand out," Wiedmeyersaid.

Wiedmeyer pierced his eyebrow during his freshman year and said it was a big hit with his friends.

"It didn't really mean anything except that I like the way that it looked," Wiedmeyer said.

Wiedmeyer went to Alternative Art in Columbia, Mo., for his tatoo and multiple piercings.

Senior Amber Eastabrooks got her tongue pierced Febru-



ary 1999 at The Dreamcatcher in Columbia, Mo., for \$65.

"I wanted something different, something people talked about but never did," Eastabrooks said.

Junior Meghan Church also pierced her tongue because she had heard rumors about its benefits. Church paid \$50 for her piercing.

"I had heard that it was sup-

posed to help you stop biting your fingernails, so I tried it," Church said. "It worked for a while, then I got used to it and I went back to biting them again."

Churchtook her piercing out because the bar kept clicking against her teeth.

"I was afraid I was going to chip a tooth because that happened to some of my friends," Church said.

THE REALITIES

- ●Small tattoos could cost up to \$100
- Tattooing was the 6th fastestgrowing retail business in 1997
- No training was required to be a piercer
- A piercing gun originated as a tagging instrument for cow ears

from www.drjack.com/black_orchid/welcom2.htm and www.bbb.org/alerts/tattoo.html

FreshmanSaraCunninghamdoes notseemnervous asshegets her tongue pierced at Studio 109 in Kirksville. Alongwiththis new piercing, she also had belly button and ear piercings. (photo by Lauren DeSantis)

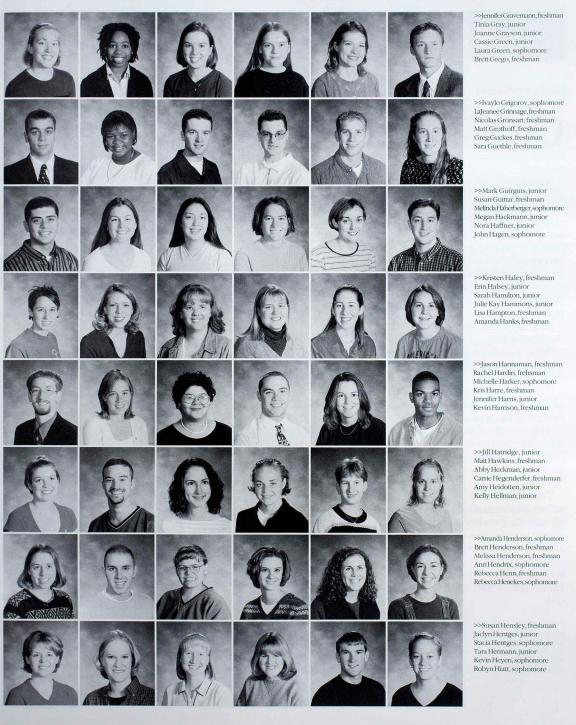
Both Eastabrooks and Church said they had their tongues pierced because they thought it was cool, but their parents did not feel the same way.

"I made sure not to tell my mom until it was completely healed so she wouldn't think my tongue was falling off or something like that," Eastabrooks said.

MAKING AN

IMPRESSION

Body art trends of tatooing and body piercing swept across the nation...



A CASE FOR CLARITIN

By Jessica Sausto

oughing, sneezing and itchy, watery eyes. Sufferers rarely got a break from allergies that attack every

Students and faculty said they had the most trouble with their allergies in the fall and spring.

"It varies depending on what an individual is allergic to," Daun Hooley, Student Health Center director, said. "Indoor environmental allergies can be a problem throughout the year. Plant, mold and tree allergies tend to peak in the spring and fall."

Many different factors caused allergy problems.

"Whenever they mow the lawnsmyallergiesgetreallybad," freshman Dylan Phelps said.

The buildings were another major factor for students and faculty with allergy problems.

"I had a lot of trouble in the dorms and the basements of buildings because they aren't ventilated well," senior Katie McKay said.

The Health Center helped suffering students control their allergies. Many students found out that what they thought was a cold was actually allergies.

"Allergies are probably the leading causes for a visit in the fall and spring time," Hooley said

Health care providers often prescribed antihistamines for the relief of allergy symptoms. They gave allergy injections to students who had seen an allergist, been tested or brought their own allergy serum. The Health Center also provided pamphlets to students about allergies and how to cope with them.

Allergies attacked students who were not used to a rural setting like Kirksville.

"The change in environment sometimes causes students to develop new allergies," Hooley said. "Many of our students live in an urban setting. Therefore, they may have never had exposure to allergens commonly found in a rural setting. Often times it is not until students return for their second year that they are significantly affected by the local allergens."

Along with frustration, allergies also had effects on academic and social life.

"Many individuals feel their productivity is definitely affected by allergy symptoms," Hooley said.

Allergies plagued students every year, but some students seemed to grow out of them.

"I think they have gotten better as I have gotten older," McKay said.

THE REALITIES The most commonly pre-

\$64.68*

Truman State Universitystudentfills asyringewithanallergy antidote. Allergies plagued students year round. A weekly shot was one of the many ways that students got relief.(photobyJeremy Early)

scribed allergy pill, Claritin, cost

 Allergy shots at the Student Health Center cost \$5

A box of tissue cost \$3

The most common over-thecounter allergy pill, Benedryl, cost \$2.59*

> *facts from HyVee Pharmacy for 30 day prescription with student discount

>>Kristi Hickam, junior Catrina Hill, sophomore Angela Hines, freshman Amy Holland, sophomore Allison Holt, freshman Rebecca Holtane, freshman



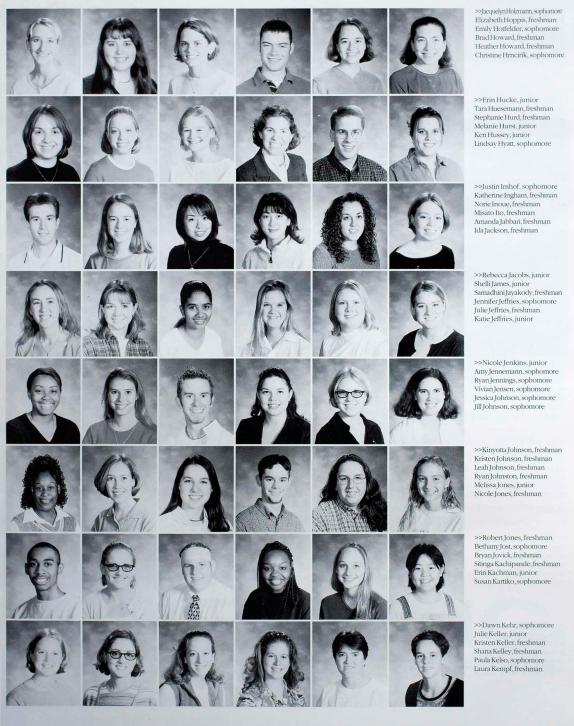












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>> Jake Kingery, freshman Stephanie Klaus, sophomore Shannon Klepper, sophomore Elizabeth Klinkhamer, junior Genny Kluesner, freshman Stephanie Knoblauch, freshman

>>Jean Kohlbrecher, sophomore Natalia Kolasa, junior Meghan Konrad, freshman April Kramme, freshman Bill Krenn, freshman Nicole Kriegshauser, freshman

>>Katherine Krueger, sophomore Dan Kubus, freshman Jimmy Kuehnle, junior Linda Kues, junior Dana Kuhnline, freshman Jennifer Labit, freshman

>>Alex Lamb, sophomore Jodi Lane, freshman Holly Lang, sophomore Marie Langabee, freshman Elizabeth Lange, junior Tricia Larkin, sophomore

>>Heidi Laughlin, freshman Brandy Lawrence, sophomore Michelle Lawrence, freshman Monica Lehmann, sophomore Mary Leitner, junior Erandi Lelwela, sophomore

>>Erin Lesczynski, sophomore Suzanne Lesinger, junior Amanda Lewis, junior Megan Lewis, freshman Adam Lewkowsky, freshman Jessica Ley, freshman

>>Justin Lienhard, sophomore Jessica Lindsay, freshman Kenneth Lineberry, junior Andrea Lipps, freshman Nicole Livingston, junior Brett Logan, sophomore















>>Dani Logan, freshman Jenny Lonigro, junior Christina Losapio, sophomore Sarah Lovem, sophomore David Low, junior Tiffany Lucas, freshman

By Earl McLaurin

students lined up for hours at the gates of Stokes Stadium to get the seats closest to the action – next to the Truman State University Gambler Marching band.

Students said they preferred to sit next to the band because it was entertaining. The band started many cheers and chants and got the audience involved.

"Itry to get to the game early just so I can get a seat by the band," freshman Tiffany Lucas said. "They are so much fun because they get the crowd pumped."

Bandmembers wore sequined gold bands from their new uniforms, played pep music and sang songs like "The Farmer's Daughter." They also shouted chants at ROTC members, cheerleaders and the crowd.

"We like doing all kinds of goofy off-the-wall stuff, like when we ask the ROTC cadets to get down as we call it," senior Jennifer Henry said. "It's basi-

THE REALITIES

- ●70 percent preferred to sit by the band
- 40 percent felt the band was disrespectful to the cheerleaders
 4 percent did not like to sit near
- •4 percent did not like to sit near the people who cheered

*facts from a survey given to 300 Truman State University students

cally a little game the band plays in which [the band] tries to get the ROTC cadets to get down and do pushups for us."

The cheerleaders also responded to the band's requests. The band asked the male cheerleaders to perform the "centipede."

"We sometimes yell to the guy cheerleaders to do the 'centipede,'" Henry said. "They all line up on the ground and imitate a moving centipede. It's really cool."

Students said they thought

Band members bring the fans to their feet at a football game. In addition to the halftime show, they performed both before and after the game. The band helped pump up the fans by collaborating with the Show Girls and cheerleaders and by leading cheers. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

the band's enthusiastic antics were positive.

"I think what the band does is great," freshman Becky Kudnra said. "They get you involved in the game even when the team is not doing so good. It really gets the spirit up."

The 150-member band played

a variety of songs during halftime.

"It is really interesting that some people come just to see the band," Henry said. "I guess it makes me feel like we've improved as a band. And although we have our times, we have been successful nonetheless."

CHAMPION

CHEERING

THE MARCHING BAND BROUGHT THE FANS TO THEIR FEET WITH

CHEERS AND SCHOOL SPIRIT

ARGUING OVER

AFFECTION

Students discuss their feelings about public displays of affection on campus

By Jo Ann Croghan

kissing, groping, snuggling, nibbling, teasing, massaging, hugging, holding, fondling...

Students saw affection displayed all over campus. Some students thought it should not be done in public, but others publicly displayed their affection proudly.

Many students felt that public displays of affection (PDA) were more of an issue in high school than at Truman State University.

"There was a problem with PDA in high school, but here people are more mature and respectful," junior Heather Mosely said.

Senior Tricia Kyler agreed.

"It doesn't offend me," Kyler said. "I don't see it a lot, but even if I do, it doesn't offend me. I don't see anybody on top of each other so it's not a problem for me."

Other students felt a small display of affection was acceptable.

"If someone is holding hands

or kissing, I think it's cute," senior Dana Hahn said.

Some students were surprised by the lack of PDA on campus.

"I rarely see PDA, which is surprising since it is a liberal arts institution," freshman Jason Fagan said.

Fagan felt that when in a hurry or running short on time, a kiss would appropriately show affection for the other person.

Other students felt that affection should always be private. They felt that displaying affection between a couple should be a personal event.

Some students were not as concerned with the couple's privacy as they were with their own.

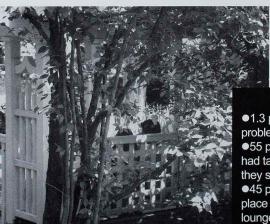
"I feel that I am invading their privacy," freshman Laura Ehlman said. "But in actuality they are invading mine as well."

Besides feelings of violation and awkwardness, some students had feelings of disgust toward PDA.

Students felt they should be able to walk around campus without witnessing PDA.

"OnceI saw two people making out in the library, junior Mandy Angell said. "It disgusted me."

Students often went to the Sunkin Garden to spend time with their significant other. The Garden allowed for people to be alone while still on campus. Legend stated that the first person a student kissed in the garden would be who they married. (photo by Jo Ann Croghan)



THE REALITIES

- ●1.3 percent felt that PDA was a problem on campus
- ●55 percent felt that a couple had taken affection too far when they started to make out
- ●45 percent felt that PDA took place most often in residence hall lounges

from survey given to 300 Truman State University

>>Cancan Ma, freshman Erin Machens, freshman Gina Mack, sophomore Jake Maier, freshman Jennifer Main, freshman Elizabeth Malone, freshman



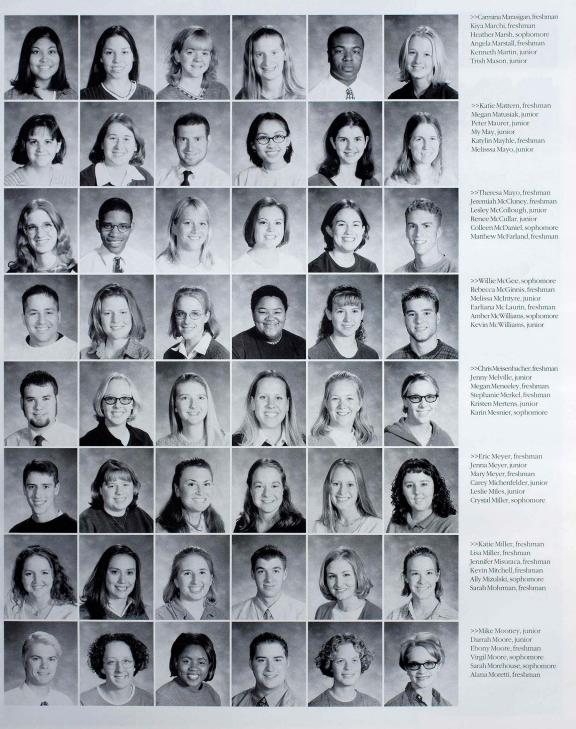












UNIVERSITY

PROVIDED DAY CARE

The Child Development Center provides a place for parents to take their children during work or classes

By Beth McFadden

ost students were not aware there were kids on campus other than the goofball who sat behind them in class.

About 30 children spent their day at the Child Development Center located behind the Student Recreation Center.

Forty student workers assisted four permanent teachers at the CDC. These student workers volunteered or worked paid positions there, and many were interested in being teachers or working with kids in the future. Working at the CDC also allowed students to act as children.

"You get done with your classes and then you go play for two hours," senior Stephanie Thomsen said.

Working one-on-one with the children was one of Thomsen's favorite things to do.

"When reading with them or playing the computer, you can see the light go on when they understand," Thomsen said.

The student workers performed a variety of tasks at the

CDC. Some worked in the office for the director, but the majority worked with the children. Students participated in a classroom where they helped during group and activity time. The student workers also had to keep the philosophies of the CDC in mind when interacting with the children.

"We are careful to emphasize choices, that they make the choice to do something," sophomore Jessica Dobbs said. "We also emphasize them using their words. This means that instead of just crying they must tell us what is wrong. This helps in their communication skills."

Although working directly with the children was the highlight of the job, much behind the scenes work had to be done. Students were responsible for making snacks as well as keeping the CDC clean.

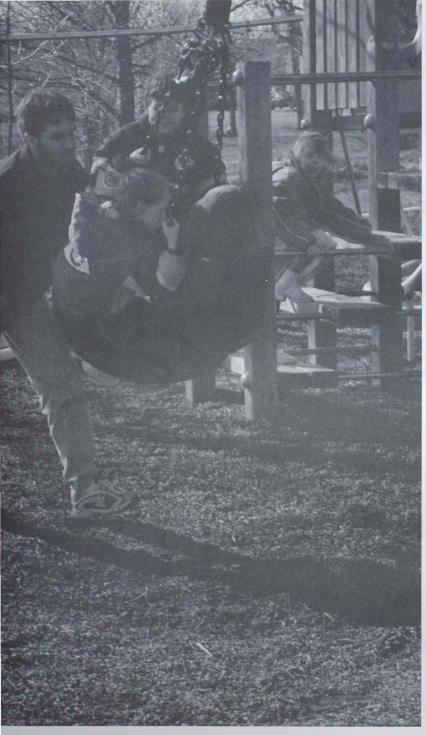
Student workers stayed busy but said the work was worth it.

"The best is when I see them at Wal-Mart or something and they say 'Hi teacher,' "Thomsen said. "You can tell that you are making an impact in their lives."



Sophomore Lee Allison Guilford cleans up a table in the Child Development Center. Student duties included playing with the children, teaching table manners and cleaning up the CDC.





Sophomore Keith Ziegelman plays with children during an afternoon break. The Child Development Center had a large backyard where the children played on nice days. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)



PERCEPTIONS

"It's a stress reliever sometimes, to go to the [Child Development Center] after classes." -Andrea Lammon, sopbomore

REALITIES

- Up to 30 children attended the Child
 Development Center
 each year
- each year

 •License regulations required a ratio of 10 students to 1 teacher
- ●CDC was open from 7:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
- Children had to be between the ages of 2 and 5 and toilet learned
- Enrollment preference was given to Truman State University families
- ●CDC was a unit within the Division of Human Potential and Performance
- CDC cost \$302 a month for a full year of all-day care for one child



>>Michelle Morrison, junior Heather Mosley, junior Mindy Moss, junior Brian Moyer, sophomore Matt Mueller, freshman Mike Mueller, junior

>>Benjamin Mulford, sophomore Nana Mun, sophomore Pinky Murphy, freshman Monique Murray, sophomore Adam Nadler, freshman Andrae Naraine, sophomore

>>Brooke Nelson, freshman Amanda Newell, sophomore Rebecca Newman, freshman Alisha Newton, freshman Katie Nielsen, junior Leslie Niemeier, sophomore

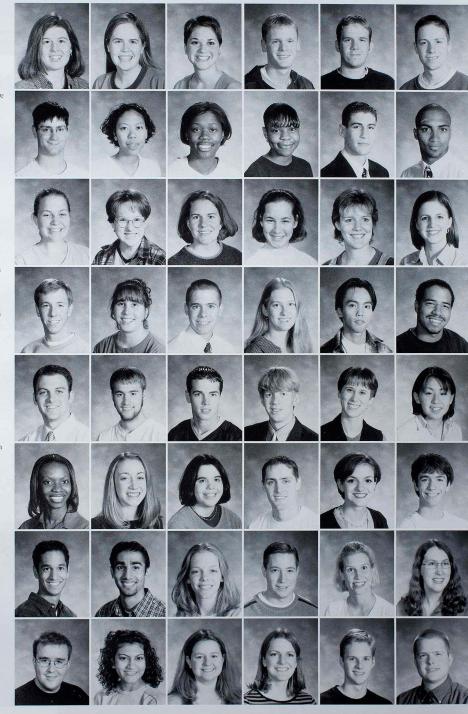
>>Scott Niermann, freshman Nicole Nieters, junior Kurt Nilson, freshman Julie Noelker, sophomore Takeshi Ken Noto, freshman Muziwi Nyamapfene, freshman

>>Tom O'Brien, junior Matt O'Rourke, freshman Ed O'Toole, sophomore Kevin Oakleaf, freshman Cassie Oberhaus, junior Akiko Ogo, freshman

>>Bunmi Okunade, freshman Amanda Overstreet, sophomore Andrea Owen, sophomore Paul Pagano, junior Theresa Palazzo, sophomore Tom Palmier, sophomore

>>Ankur Parikh, freshman Neesheet Pariuh, freshman Sabrina Parker, junior Darren Parkes, sophomore Carol Parsons, junior Jennifer Parsons, junior

>> Jesse Pasley, sophomore Tina Patel, junior Jeannie Patterson, freshman Teri Patterson, freshman Thomas Peck, junior Chris Peckham, freshman



TRENDS IN SHOWBIZ

By Stephanie Brenneke and Ginny Windels

THE REALITIES Top Grossing Movies for 1999: ●Star Wars, Episode 1 The Sixth Sense Toy Story 2

Singer Lauryn Hill performsfortheThe Source Hip Hop Music Awards at the Pantages Theater in Hollywood. Hill was a popularmusician with college students. (photo submitted Associated Press/Kevork Djansezian) red from sitting in class, going to the library and studying, students flocked to movie theaters, raided magazine racks, listened to music and vegged out in front of the television.

Spending time at the movies, students helped make *Star Wars*, *Episodel: The Phantom Menace* the top grossing movie of 1999. Tickets at the Petite 3 Cinema cost \$4 with a student ID.

Not all students agreed that the top 10 grossing movies were the top 10 best movies of 1999.

"I wasn't a big fan of [The] Blair Witch [Project] because it scared me," junior Michelle Bandy said. "The motion thing was kinda 'ughhhhh I'm going to be sick.'"

Popular movies that did not make the list were American Pie, The Green Mile, Dogma, She's All That and The Man in the Moon.

Often used as a form of procrastination, many students avoided homework by escaping into the lives of their favorite television characters. New dramas such as fudging Amy, Once and Again, Get Real and The Practice were shows that students regularly scheduled into their study breaks. Other shows, including Who Wantstobea Millionaire? challenged students' intellect while not stressing them out. Some students remained true to the more established sitcoms like *Friends*, *ER*, *Felicity* and *AllyMcBeal*.

"We always watch Friends," Bandy said. "But we have meetings on Thursdays so we have to tape it."

Not able to afford cable, some students mooched off friends so they could watch television. Basic cable from Cable One cost \$31,50 each month.

The music industry also benefitted from bored students. Listening to the radio was popular among college students because the average CD cost \$12-25. Three of the most requested songs at KTRM were *Gotthe Life* by Kom, *Guerrilla Radio* by Rage Against the Machine and *Meet Virginia* by Train. Other popular artists in 1999 were Sarah McLaughlin, Jewel, Third Eye Blind and The Dixie Chicks.

Junior Chris Ellman was a fan of Dave Matthews Band.

"They don't need dancers or fancy clothes," Ellman said. "Their personalities come out on the stage. It's not canned or processed."

No matter what one chose, entertainment was everywhere. It consumed students' time and cleaned out their pockets.



Shagged Me

The Matrix

Big Daddy

The Mummy

●Runaway Śride

●The Blair Witch Project

Tarzan



•Austin Powers: The Spy Who









>>Niroshini Perera, sophomore Samali Perera, freshman Carrie Phillips, junior Tara Phillips, freshman Amanda Pillatsch, sophomore Scott Pinkowski, freshman

>>Elizabeth Pinter, sophomore Dominic Pisoni, junior Amy Poos, freshman Kanika Pope, sophomore Laura Potts, junior Laura Presley, sophomore



Vibrant

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By Laura Ojile

rom basic black to outra-of what was fashionable changed by the second.

While runway fashion shows and celebrity trends tended to be the first indica-

tion of new trends, they did not last very long. By the time designers created colors and less expensive verform-fitting sions and distributed them to the average consumer, the were poputrend-makers were lar selecon to something else, and these new styles were reduced to "fad" status. Many designers teenagers

and other fashion elite began to view the youth culture as a strong fashion barometer for new styles. Vibrant colors and form-fitting clothes were popu-

lar selections among teenagers and young adults in 1999.

Young people created their personal wardrobes with a mixture of familiar favorites and new pieces, while they kept an eye on what favorite media personalities, fashion models and their friends were wearing.

"Many of our clothes are geared toward the college student," said Diane Boston, comanager at Maurices clothing

> store. "We are selling a lot of club clothes, like black pants and short skirts.

Reasons for purchasing clothes variedamong students.

"I buy things for the way they look rather than how they feel," freshman Danielle Thomure said.

Thomure and her roommate, fresh-Karrisa man Weidinger, said when they bought clothes, they determined whether the item was of good quality and whether

it was flattering.

"I don't go shopping much, but when I do, I look for something that meets those requirements," Weidinger said.

While Maurices' typical customers were female, Boston Fresh-Karli Kujawa ties a bandana around her hair. Bandanas and other hairaccessories became the latest trends in fashion. (photo by Ashleigh Starke)



THE REALITIES

Women's trends:

 fleece jackets tube tops

head scarves

pedal pushers

Men's trends:

Hawaiian patterns

khaki pants

•fitted shirts

campus." While being trendy was key to many wardrobe selections, some students said fashion did not prevail in the face of a harsh Kirksville winter.

said men frequented the store

for clothes that gave way to the

"Ricky Martin effect" of being

tight and trendy. Although some

male students dressed up, others

relied on wardrobe staples for

dressing nice, less baggy and

grunge," freshman Bill Mills, sales

associate at Stage Department

Store, said. "Comfort helps when

sitting in class or walking across

"You do see a lot more people

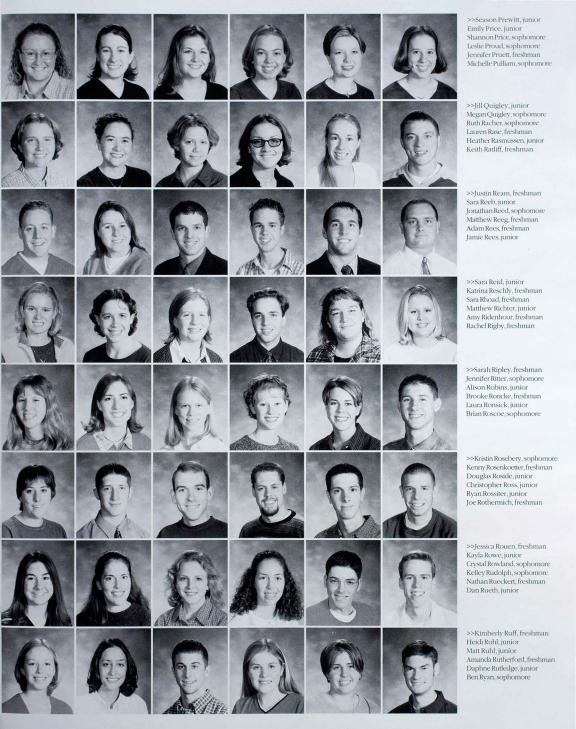
the normal day.

"I think there are different levels of being trendy and different people fit into those levels," senior Julie Whitley said. "But I don't care if capri pants and tube tops are the things you should wear to be considered fashionable. It gets too cold here. and I make sure everything I buy is extra warm."

GURUS

OF FASHION

Students strive for style while keeping their own look

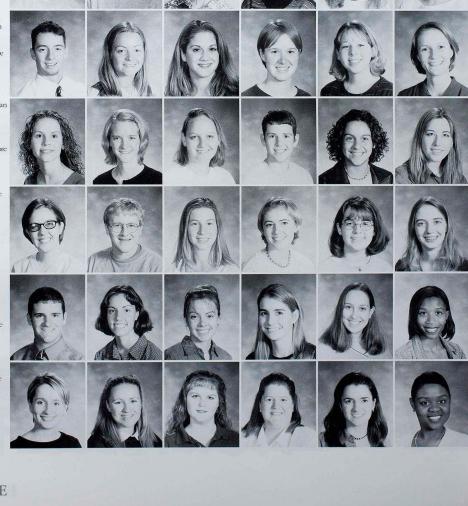


>>Nicole Rybold, junior Thomas Salt, freshman Sara Sandker, freshman Jessica Sausto, freshman Michelle Scarry, junior Shanna Schaefer, freshman >>Christopher Schaper, junior Elizabeth Scheperle, sophomore Jennifer Schisler, freshman Brent Schmidt, junior Corey Schmidt, freshman Stephanie Schmidt, junior >>Matthew Schmit, freshman Sara Schmitt, junior Angela Schmitz, junior Laura Schmitz, freshman Blake Schneider, sophomore Sara Schoomaker, junior >>Alan Schreiner, freshman Angela Schuhler, freshman Allison Schuller, freshman Kim Schultz, sophomore Kate Schumacher, sophomore Erin Schuster, sophomore >>Jennifer Schwartz, freshman Julie Schwartz, sophomore Brinn Sedlacek, freshman Nathan See, freshman Tara Seeling, freshman Kathryn Septeowski, sophomore >>Allison Sharp, sophomore >>Ryan Shreve, sophomore

Ray Shell, freshman Kristen Shelver, freshman Leah Sherman, freshman Lisa Sherrill, freshman Rebecca Shoemaker, junior

Crystal Shriver, freshman Melissa Shriver, junior Marbree Simpson, sophomore Reon Sines, sophomore Karena Singleton, sophomore

>>Basia Skudrzyk, freshman Lauren Sladek, sophomore Abigail Smith, freshman Amy Smith, freshman Erin Smith, freshman Kalynda Smith, sophomore















>>Melissa Smith, freshman Richard Smith, junior Beth Snyder, junior Gretchen Soderberg, sophomore Melianie Spiegel, freshman Katie Stacy, freshman

COMING

TOGETHER

Global Links helped students by bringing different cultures together

By Ally Mizulski

the transition for exchange students from their homeland to the United States was made easier through the Global Links program. This program allowed exchange students to meet American students and make many friendships.

"I wanted to meet as many Americans as I could," exchange student Norie Inoue said. "And I wanted to make lots of friends."

Inoue, a freshman from Kanagawa, Japan, heard about the Global Links program through the International Student Office, which sponsored the program.

Global Links paired each international student with an American student. The partnersto-be met at semester parties. Inoue met her partner, junior Marci Garner, at the fall barbecue.

"I was trying to find out who

THE REALITIES

●The amount of students that participated in Global Links ranged from 80-150 per year ●Global Links began in

●Global Links begai 1996

 Bulgaria had the most students (33) attending Truman State University

was Marci," Inoue said. "I was like, 'Who's Marci? Who's Marci? And then I found her. I was so excited."

Garner also looked forward to meeting her partner. Garner said she saw Inoue at the picnic and wondered who she was, not knowing that Inoue was her partner.

"She was really interesting and perky and fun," Garner said. "We talked a lot about each other and I learned about her culture. It was interesting to compare our culture with Japa-

Students gather for the semester kickoff dinner given by Global Links. The program gave international and American students a chance to learn more about each other and other cultures. Truman State University students participating in Global Links took part in both arranged activities and activities they planned on their own. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

Social interaction between cultures was interesting and unique...

nese culture."

Global Links partners were to meet with each other twice a month. Garner and Inoue learned a lot about each other's cultures and helped each other understand the differences between their societies.

"Once me and Marci and her roommate watched a movie in English and they started to laugh at some parts of the movie," Inoue said. "I didn't know what they were laughing at and I couldn't understand some things, so they explained it all to me."

Social interaction between cultures was interesting and unique.

"The program is to help international students to make American friends and to feel included and at ease in our culture," Melanee Crist, international student adviser, said.

INSTANT

MESSENGER

Online chatting became an on-campus craze at Truman State University

By Jill Hollister and Colleen Brown

Rows of computers in various working conditions stood at attention like soldiers awaiting command as anabundance of students waited for the first available machine to do homework or to check their e-mail. Many students also used these computers to chat online.

Online chatting, whether in chat rooms or through instant messaging programs, became an on-campus craze at Truman State University. Sophomore Dan Beaury said that he chatted online to save money.

"Students have too many bills already without racking up expensive phone charges," Beaury said. "Online chatting is a free, painless way to keep in touch with out-of-town friends and family."

Over 95 percent of the student body was not from Kirksville, so keeping in touch with friends and family was a priority.

Online communication also allowed students to meet people from all over the United States

and other countries. Some new acquaintances even brought forward the idea of romance.

"I think it is okay to meet people on the Internet because you can get new views, but at the same time you need to be very weary," junior Carrie Kallal said.

Chatting extended beyond basic chat rooms when students entered game rooms. These

rooms allowed students to play Spades, Checkers, Yahtzee and other similar games while chatting with Internet users.

"Game rooms become an addiction. I have to play one more game and I just keep saying that. It is an ultimate procrastination tool," sophomore Becky Dall said.

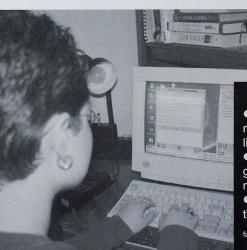
In August 1999, the University equipped all residence halls

except Campbell Apartments with unlimited Internet service in each room.

"Giving students unlimited access seems the obvious choice as Internet based assignments are becoming more and more common," senior Rahil Calcuttawala said.

Unlimited access allowed students to stay online long after the computer labs closed.

Junior Carrie Kallal chats on America Online Instant Messenger with her sister. Students found chatting allowed them to stay in touch with family without the phone bills. (photo by Tina Patel)



THE REALITIES

- ●In June 1999, America Online membership exceeded 17 million
- ●AOL had record membership growth in 1999 with more than 5 million new members
- ●AOL members averaged more than 52 minutes per day online

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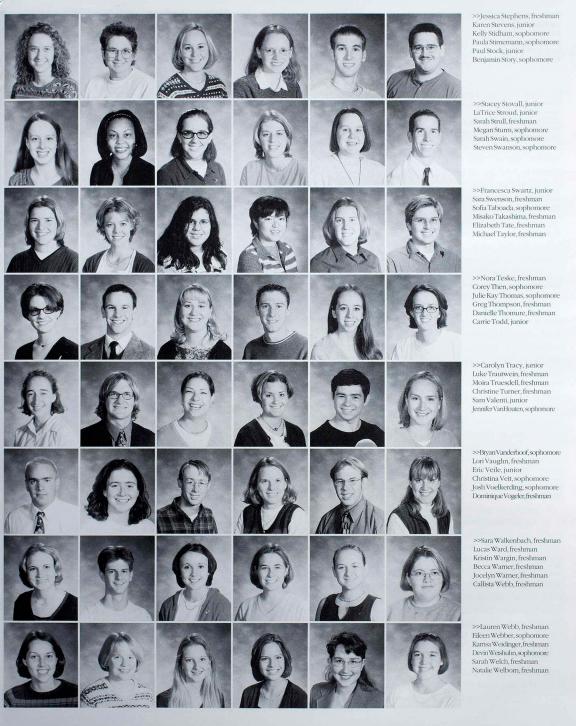












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ROADTRIP HOME

By Tricia Scott and Colleen Brown

THE REALITIES

●67 percent of Truman State University students went home once a month

 6 percent of students went home only for breaks (midterms and Thanksgiving)

●12 percent of students lived five to 90 miles from Kirksville

●88 percent of students went home mainly to see family

facts were from a survey given to 300 students

Freshman Tracy Downs packs her car to go home for a weekend. Downs went home often so she could spend time with her parents and sister. (photo by Elizabeth or many Truman State
University students, go
ing to college meant
getting away from their family
and hometown for the first
time.

Newfound freedom and responsibility were the perks of college life, but students also found that there were negative aspects. After spending some time at the University, many students became homesick and went home often.

Students said they made the long trip home to visit family, friends and significant others. Some students went home because it was close and they kept a job.

"My boyfriend and I have been together for a while and we go home to see each other," said junior Kelly Martin. "It is more convenient to have a job at home, because if I worked in Kirksville I would never get to go home."

Many students said the advantages of going home outweighed the advantages of spending the weekend on campus.

Sophomore Stephanie Klaus went home to Perryville, Mo., every other weekend to see her boyfriend, but she said she was still really active on campus.

"I miss out on a little bit," Klaus said. "Every so often there's something on campus during the weekend that I want to stay for, but I'm okay with the situation."

Going home frequently had its disadvantages. Students said

it was harder to develop and maintain strong friendships.

"I always feel like I am missing out on my college years. If things were different I would stick around more, but things aren't different," Martin said. "I feel it is worth the sacrifice."

These trips home often made it more difficult to become involved in organizations on campus.

Freshman Bremen Leak said he did not feel involved with organizations on campus because he went home two or three weekends a month. Leak said he missed out on some opportunites, but he did not mind.

Leak went home because he wanted to spend time with his family and girlfriend before he went on his mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Not every student could go home each weekend. Many students did not live close enough to make the drive home in one day. Some students even transferred to a school closer to home when the distance became a problem.

"I only went home for the Christmas and summer breaks," senior Diana Roeshek said. "My family had a hard time adjusting with me being so far away. My first semester here they even flew me home for the Midterm Break in October."

Roeshek was from Salt Lake City--a 20 hour car ride from Kirksville.

DORM LIFE

A JOB IN ITSELF

Everything I Needed To Know, I Learned in a Dorm Room

By Colleen Brown

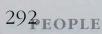
oving away from home and in with strangers provided several opportunities for chaos to run rampant. Some days living in my dorm room was harder than an actual job. This learning experience was one that will stick with me. Here are some of the things I learned:

•Sleep was underrated •The rest of the world did not operate on a college schedule •The best work could be done after midnight •I would never regret sacrificing an hour of sleep or homework for vital bonding time with a friend •Siblings grew up without me •Everyone had a different definition of loud Morning always came too early *Sometimes a good cry helped •Friends were the people I could act stupid around and they would still love me •A good parking spot was a precious thing *Singing loud relieved stress Dirty dishes should not be left unwashed over holiday breaks Sometimes I needed to be alone •Goldfish were cool but I missed my dog •Most of the learning in college did not take place in a classroom Money disappeared a lot quicker than it came in •Even when I thought I could not do it anymore, I could Our campus was not all that "dry" ·Learning to tolerate the differences in others was healthy •Forgive and forget •Of all the high school friends I promised I would stay in touch with, only a few came to visit and for some reason that was okay •We were paying a lot more for this education than we realized ·Honesty was the best policy The truth could hurt ◆E-mail forwards were not cool . I never regretted taking pictures ·Weekends were too short School would not be canceled for sickness . Knowing how to share would make all the difference •Get involved. I could not make it through college without new friends •It was okay to go home on weekends no matter what everyone else said Knowing how to do laundry was a necessity .Getting mail could make my day, and sometimes my week •I was not as

smart as I thought I was+



Students eat dinner in Centennial Hall cafeteria. Those who lived in the residence halls had meal plans allowing them 15 or 20 meals a week. Students also had the option of eating in Mainstreet Market in the Student Union Building.





Freshman Mary Dziewa turns the lock on her mailbox. Receiving mail and packages was a highlight of the day for many students. (photos by Elizabeth Hoppis)



PERCEPTIONS

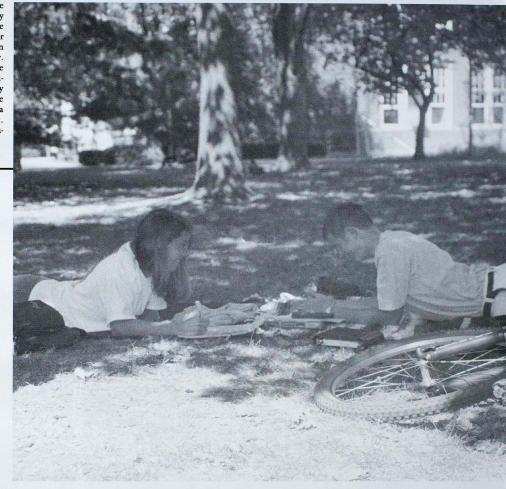
"The biggest adjustment for me was growing up with two brothers, and it only being my mother and I. The biggest transition was suddenly living with three other girls."

-Robin Manley, sopbomore

REALITIES

- ●1,440 freshmen lived in the residence halls at the beginning of the 1999-2000 academic year
- 60 transfer students lived in the residence halls at the beginning of the 1999-2000 academic year
- ●1,203sophomores,juniors and seniors returned to live in the residence halls at the beginning of the 1999-2000 academic year
- A two-person room cost \$2,200 a semester including a 20-meal plan
- A multi-person room cost \$2,068 per semester including a 20-meal plan

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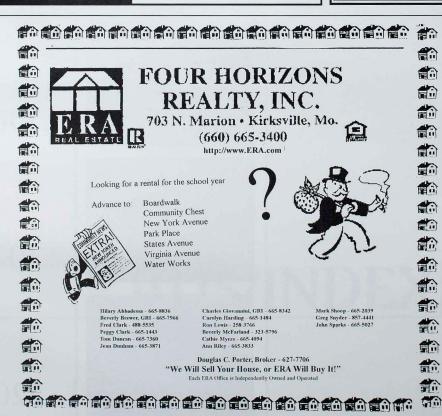
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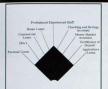
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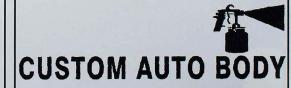
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| students from 50 different countries | |
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| Student/Faculty Ratio: | 16:1 |
| Average Class Size: | 22 students |
| • Average GPA of Incoming Students: | 3.7/4.0 |
| Percentage of Freshman Courses Taught b | y Full-time Faculty: |
| | 95% |
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| Placement After Graduation: | 97% |
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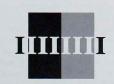
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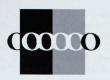
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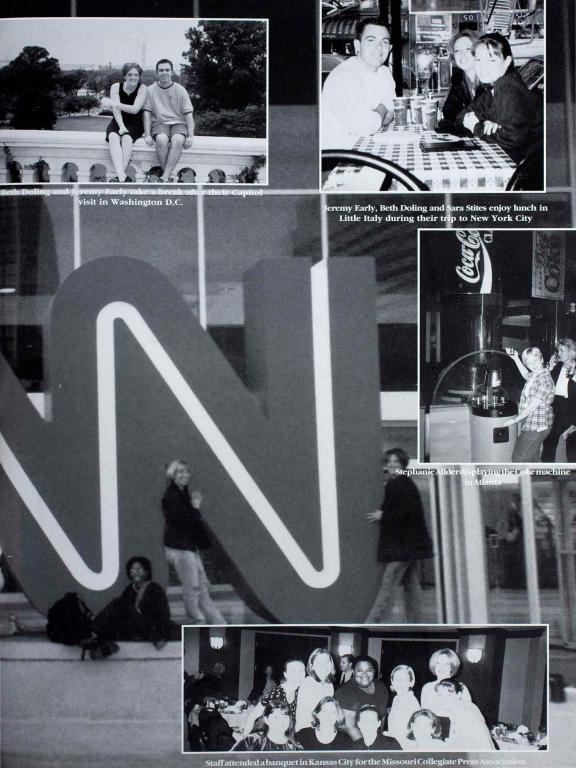
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The Echo team enjoys a night on the town during the Fall trip to Atlanta, Georgia. The staff stayed at the Westin Peach Tree Plaza and the elevator system will not soon be forgotten. Other events the Echo participated in were a tour of Coke, shopping at the Underground Mall and a night at the Triangle Bars, or playing Uno if under 21.

Megan Delaney and Sara Stites enjoy the Sonic Cup at the annual Soybean Festival in Mexico, Mo. The staff took a field trip to Mexico as part of its fall retreat and learned why the soybean deserved their respect.







Echo Team 2000

Dearest Echo Staff.

One will never understand how hard it is for me to take an entire year of memories and new friendships and attempt at summing it up into one short, but concise letter. First of all, thank you from the bottom of my heart. You have all worked hard to create a book that I am sure the University will be proud of and one that I am proud of too. You have also given me a year that I will never forget.

Who will ever be able to forget our many trips and many adventures. We have missed planes, been stranded by broken cars and been sprayed by gasoline. We have made new friends from across the nation from Kay in New York to the "Prince of Saudi Arabia." Most of all, however, we grew as a staff because of these many adventures.

I will never forget our many nights in the Echo office and the countless trips to Pancake City. I credit the Echo table with giving me experience in front of an audience and I credit all of you with keeping the office alive, even at four in the morning. (i.e. the quote board)

As some of us move on to new adventures, whether it be Oklahoma, Peoria, St. Louis or even across enemy territory into Kansas, know that our lives have been touched because of our Echo experience. I, myself, have gained memories never to be forgotten and friends that will last a lifetime. I will never again be able to look at the Pillsbury Dough boy without thinking of Earl, see Jacksonville play without thinking of Sara or attend a MU game without thinking of Colleen and laughing at Megan.

Good luck to the Echo 2001 staff. I am sure that you will be very successful and know that I will periodically check-in to make sure I haven't been forgotten. I am sure it will be an excellent year.

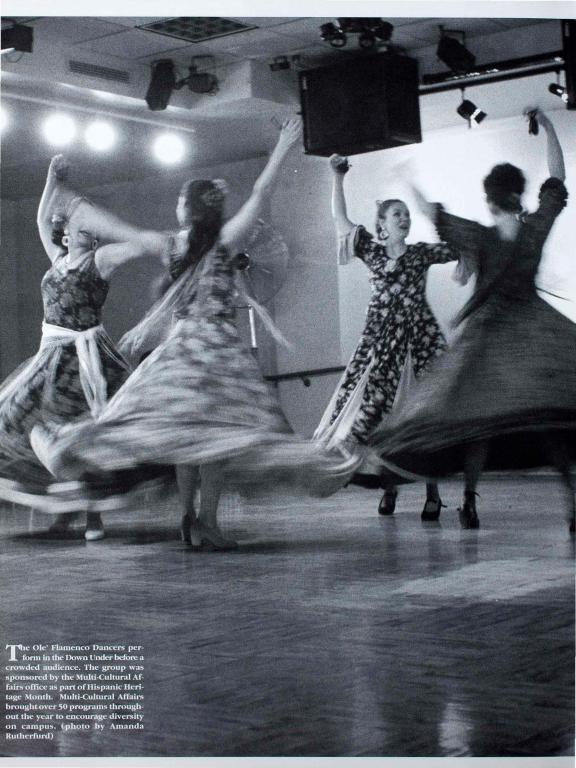
Again, thank you for an unforgettable year. Know that I have taken a little bit of each of you with me as I make the trek into Kansas and that I feel I am a better person because of my experiences with the Echo and the friends I have made. Don't ever lose touch!

May God Bless you all as he has blessed me by giving me all of you.

Signing out,

Jerome

Thank You



s the year came to a close, we were able to look back and see which of our perceptions had come true and which had been replaced by reality. Some of us went into the year with specific ideas about what the year would bring

and left with a completely different outlook. We ended up dropping classes that we had worked hard to get yellow cards for. We found that we did not get along with professors that had been highly recommended by friends, and we liked professors that we had been forced to take against our wishes. Many students ended the year with a new minor not ever been considered, and some students completely changed their majors. We felt ourselves drift away from some people while beginning



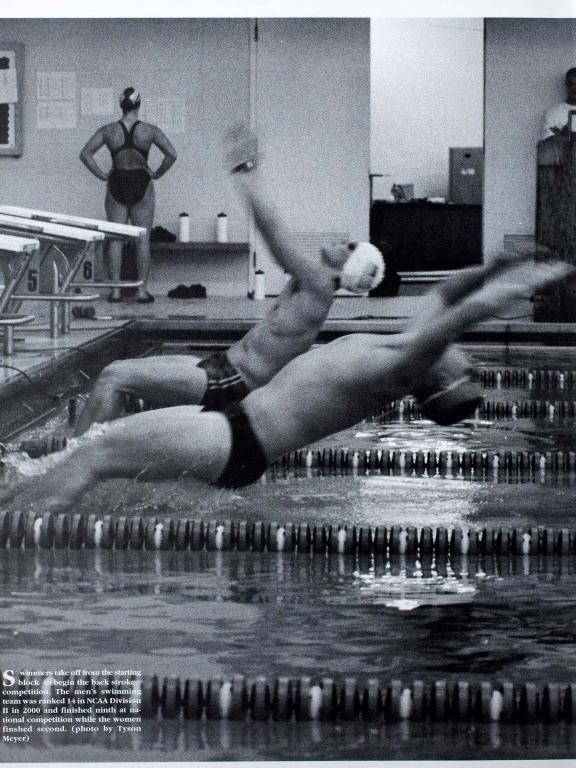
Junior Brian Brown dribbles around a defender towards the basket. Brown shot 47.6 percent throughout the 1999-00 season. The men's basketball team finished with a record of 16-11. (photo by Mike Jorgenson)



Truman State University's Gambler marching band performs for the half-time show of the football game. The band also performed at other University activities. (photo by Elizabeth Hoppis)

our plans turn completely around. Some of us were planning on attending graduate school but decided to begin our careers instead. Some of us thought we wanted to wait to get married, but then we fell in love and got engaged. We saw ourselves develop new interests. We realized that we had not pursued some of our old interests, but we did not care. We watched as people we thought were strong faltered and people we thought of as weak rose to the challenges that faced them. We perceived the

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millenium as a potential disaster and a possible life-changing event. We found that nothing out of the ordinary happened at midnight. We cheered as the Rams won the Super Bowl and watched as other professional and University teams attained their highest goals. We told our friends what we thought of them when we first met and realized in wonder how different those perceptions were from reality. We thought about all the changes that took place in the world, the University and within ourselves. We realized that we had accomplished a lot, but there was more up ahead. We thought about the past in relation to where we were at the end of the year. We knew that as time went by we had learned how to grasp reality better. We realized that a pattern of perception and reality had been a constant in our lives since the



Truman State University's choir and orchestra performs the Messiah in November 1999 to start the holiday season. Throughout the year many productions were presented in Baldwin Auditorium by the Fine Arts Division. (photo by Robin Perrtree)



Feelings of anger and confusion arose amongst students and faculty about the W proposal prior to the vote during the Faculty Senate meeting. The amendment was not passed by a vote of 5-5-1. (photo by Beth Doling)

beginning. It made us wonder which of our current beliefs would crumble under the reality we would be faced with later. We knew that no matter how hard we tried, we could not ever know the entire truth. The balance between perceptions and reality was a game we would all play for the rest of our lives. We entered the future with happy hearts. We were pleased with the progress we made over the year, and we were excited to find out where our lives would lead us

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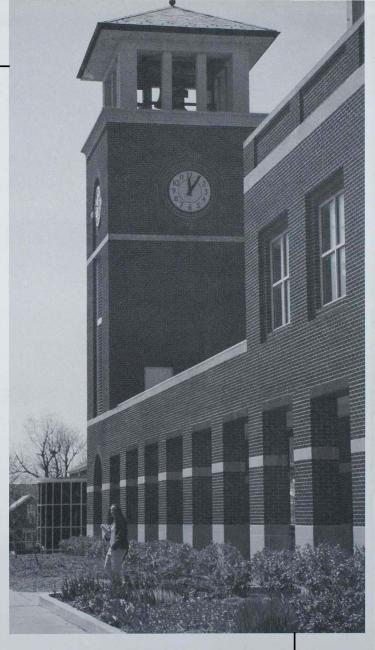
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